

RALSTON SAYS HE NEVER HAS WANTED PRESIDENCY

Indianapolis, Ind., June 5.—Declaring there "is something about the greatness of this exalted position that admonishes me against wanting to undertake the execution of its grave and solemn duties", United States Senator Ralston today urged the Indiana Democratic State convention not to consider him a candidate for the presidency.

"Great as this honor is, however, I would not speak truthfully to you should I refrain from saying that I have never aspired to the presidency of this country", Ralston said. "If there be those who doubt my sincerity in what I am saying, let me lay additional emphasis on my state of mind by declaring that this convention will please me most by allowing the delegates from Indiana to the New York convention to go uninstructed."

"I am anxious that the delegates from my home State shall go to the national convention with open minds and perfect freedom to participate in nominating the best man to lead our party in the presidential contest this year."

The Senator said the Democratic party should choose as its candidate a man who is "human through and through; who knows America and who wants this country to do its part in establishing peace—continuous peace—among the nations of the earth."

"If such a candidate is chosen", Ralston asserted, "his vision will sweep the world around and while by word and contribution he will want this country to lead in the service of mankind, still he will take care that the constitutional rights of America are not surrendered or placed in jeopardy."

The salvation of the people and the success of popular government rest on the honesty and efficiency of public servants, he said. Ralston declared that no government can be called honest that fails to uphold the equality of rights of individual citizens, or permits citizens generally to be taxed for the benefit of a favored few.

The platform as submitted to the convention by the Resolutions Committee contained no mention of the Ku Klux Klan by name, but referred to the Republican party as "having been delivered into the hands of an organization, which has no place in politics and which promulgates doctrines which tend to break down the safeguards which the Constitution throws around every citizen and repugnant to the principles of government advocated by Lincoln and Morton". The convention adopted the platform as submitted.

GIRLS HURT IN COLLISION ON BERTRAND ROAD SUNDAY

Martha Isabelle Lynn, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lynn, suffered a broken hand, and Nina Sutherland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Sutherland, suffered a severe cut on the leg Sunday evening when the automobile in which they were riding, driven by Emily Lynn, collided with another machine driven by Vernon Groves of Bertrand on the concrete road east of Bertrand. Both machines were proceeding at a rapid rate, and the drivers of both admit that they failed to see the other machine until just before the crash.

The Lynn car, a Ford coupe, was overturned by the impact, only the driver practically escaping uninjured. The other car, a Ford racer, has practically demolished, although its occupants, including, besides the driver, two girls and a small boy, were only bruised. The injured girls were brought to Charleston in a passing machine, and while both were painfully injured, both are convalescing. Eighteen stitches were required to close the cut sustained by the Sutherland girl, while several bones in the Lynn girl's hand were broken.—Charleston Courier.

Molasses will remove grass stains.

Present Day Decorum

Perhaps The Tribune is a trifle old-fashioned and its ideas possibly are obsolete and entirely out of date as to what constitutes good manners among young ladies and young gentlemen. It knows what was once regarded as decorum and decency, but since the new thought and new view points have gained ascendancy in our rules of social etiquette, it would not hazard an opinion for fear of demonstrating how ignorant it is about how gentle folk should demean themselves in this day and generation. This being thus, an apology may be coming for what follows.

Yesterday The Tribune observed four young people—two youths and two maids—in a coupe built for two. The four had sardined into the little car. One of the young fellows was at the wheel and his girl sat between him and the other boy. We say "his girl" because she must have been, for the other maid was sitting smack in the lap of the other male occupant and her arm, if The Tribune is not losing its eyesight (and hardly so for a scene like what was seen), was around his neck. Presumably this made her hold the better. The Tribune couldn't see the arms and hands of the young fellow in whose lap the maiden was nestling, but it is reasonable to presume that he took all necessary precautions against her falling to the floor of the coupe. During all this contiguity and close communion the participants seemed perfectly oblivious of a dozen or so who were wonderingly gazing at the effrontery and brazenness of the participants in the scene.

This little tableaux was enacted on South Ninth street, west side, about half way between the alley and Cherry street. Of course the alley would have been a more appropriate setting for what was transpiring, but this seemed not to occur to the intertwined young folks. Besides, it probably was all entirely proper, according to their standards and code of good manners. We name the exact location because, on account of present day customs, what took place seemed to be entirely according to Hoyle and the latest dictum on etiquette. Other similar scenes have been in progress in other public places in Columbia, and we have no intention of relating what we didn't see.

These young ladies and gentlemen are here obtaining an education in something, perhaps, but their training in what is expected of young ladies and gentlemen is sadly lacking. The action of these young folks was positively indecent. Not very long ago they would have been hauled to the calaboose for indecent behavior. A hair brush for the girl and a board for the boy, both properly applied by a professor who knows his business, would be the most efficacious education for young folks who so flagrantly flout the requirements of common decency.—Columbia Tribune.

Miss Anna Goldie Howell is visiting friends in Illinois.

Martin Laubis of Poplar Bluff was a Friday visitor in this city on business.

J. H. Yount and Marvin McMullin spent the week-end in this city with their families.

Mrs. R. W. Edwards of Tucson, Ariz., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Steve Humphrey and other relatives.

Miss Alfreda Denton is an extra at the postoffice and an added attraction at the general delivery window.

Thanks to Mrs. J. N. Sheppard for a bucket of cherries for pies for Saturday's dinner. There's no better kind.

Miss Mildred Reed, who is employed in Springfield, arrived in this city Thursday morning to visit with her parents.

Child & Company, the oldest private bank in England, founded about 1560, is to be absorbed by Glyn, Mills & Company.

Mrs. S. B. Crain and daughter, Mrs. G. C. Carter went to St. Louis Saturday. Mrs. Carter has a position in St. Louis and Mrs. Crain will visit a while.

A college student at Williams College in 1842 wrote this in his diary: "Today we pursued no studies, but rather made merry with a girl school which came in a body for dancing, and frolicking of all sorts. And till late at night we barn danced and polka'd, and such was the attraction that we thought no more of books and learning but contented ourselves with singing and dancing of all sorts. These females are a queer lot, but they are fine after books and Greek authors."

REVIVAL MEETING AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hear Evangelist D. P. Montgomery at the Baptist Church. Every evening during the week at 8 o'clock. He is one of our greatest Evangelists in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Come to the meeting. Let us help one another.

A Revival of Religion is our greater need. Let us throw our hearts into this work for Christ.

Christ deserves pre-eminence in all the relations of life.

It cost Moore Greer \$62 to have 60 acres of cotton cleaned out the first time, but after this first good cleaning it will be an easier task after this and not quite so expensive. He reports it looking good and the past few days of hot weather as bringing it out fast.

Pola Negri, the great Polish actress, will be filmed at the Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week and should draw packed houses. She is one of the topnotchers in filmdom. Manager McCutchen pays a long price to give such pictures as "Men" with Pola Negri as principal and we should show our appreciation by attending.

The Standard is told that hundreds of automatic pistols with ammunition have been delivered through the Sikeston postoffice to negroes of this vicinity. Last week six were delivered by one rural mail carrier to negroes on his route. With this condition existing what kind of an offset have the whites got in case a race riot should start? We believe it should be against the law to deliver fire arms and ammunition by mail and believe no sort of firearms should be sold to negroes by local firms. We are led to believe that every cabin has guns and ammunition sufficient to stand a pretty good siege. This is a pretty serious condition if things are as bad as they are told.

DEXTER LOSES TO SIKESTON NINE

Everybody for miles around had been looking forward to the game of baseball between Dexter and Sikeston to be played on the Dexter fields, Sunday, June 8. It looked as though they were all present as it was pronounced a record crowd for a ball game in that city. The gate receipts were about \$520, of which Sikeston, the winning team, took 60 per cent.

The Sikeston team were all home boys while Dexter had a first and third baseman out of St. Louis and was disappointed in not securing an air-tight pitcher, so used Hodge, a local boy. The St. Louis players were no more brilliant than their home players and none of them handled Martin of Sikeston for any great gains. Outside of the first inning it was one of the prettiest games ever witnessed by fans in this part of the State. In the first, both pitchers were wild, which coupled by some costly errors on both sides, let Sikeston score 4 times and Dexter made her only runs this time. After this bad inning, both teams played real ball as the score shows Dexter never got another man over home plate, while Martin of Sikeston knocked a long fly to right field that was lost among the cars and he made a home run. Several times it looked as though one or the other of the teams would score, but close team-work and fast plays nipped the boys at home plate.

Errors by both teams were about the same and neither of the pitchers were at their best, but just the same it was a game where the tense silence of the big crowd was painful, so interesting were the plays. The pretty part of it all, was the splendid order, the lack of kicks at the umpire and the sportsman-like way in which the Dexter team and the Dexter fans took their defeat.

Next Sunday, June 15, the Chaffee team will play Sikeston here, June 22 Sikeston goes to Caruthersville, June 29 to Malden, July 4 to New

Madrid, and July 6 Dexter expects to play Sikeston in this city.

The following is the box score:

Sikeston	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Dudley, ss	4	1	2	4	2	0
Van Arsdale, 2b	4	1	2	1	2	0
Crane, lf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Bowman, c	3	1	1	10	0	0
A. Bloomfield, 1b	4	0	1	6	1	0
Dowdy, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0
D. Bloomfield, 3b	4	0	0	0	1	1
Mow, cf	4	0	2	2	0	0
Martin, p	4	1	2	1	0	1
Total	34	5	11	27	6	2
Dexter	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Uhlen, 2b	4	0	0	6	2	1
Hommontree, cf	3	1	0	2	0	0
H. Norman, ss	4	0	1	0	4	0
McGehee, c	2	1	0	9	1	0
Elmore, 1b	4	0	1	7	0	1
Rose, 3b	3	0	0	4	2	1
Van Camp, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Norman, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Hodge, p	3	0	1	0	0	0
Total	31	2	3	27	9	3

Summary: Two base hits, Van Arsdale, Mow, Bowman, Crane and Martin.

Home runs, Martin.

Passed balls Bowman, 2.

Pitching record, base on balls, off Martin, 2; off Hodge, 3.

Struck out by Martin 8, by Hodge 6. Hit by pitcher, by Martin, McGehee (2).

Double plays, Dudley to Van Arsdale to A. Bloomfield, Norman to Uhlen to Elmore.

Umpires—Wilcox and Heisler.

Time: 2 hrs. 10 min.

Miss Addie Dover, James Matthews and Foster Bruton spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins at Vanduser.

W. O. Burnett late of Texas, but now farming one of the Matthews farms near Sikeston, was fined \$1 and costs for smashing a negro in the face, Saturday. The negro had threatened to smack a white boy and Burnett stepped in. Bystanders chipped in and paid the fine and costs.

\$165,000,000 ROAD BILL PASSES HOUSE

Washington, June 5.—A bill authorizing an appropriation of \$165,000,000 for the improvement of roads throughout the United States was passed by the House today.

It provides that the federal government, co-operating with the states, shall expend \$75,000,000 in the fiscal year, 1926, in improving roads and a like amount for the purpose in the fiscal year 1927. The bill also provides for the expenditure of \$7,500,000 a year for the years 1926 and 1927 on forest roads and trails.

Under the good-roads policy adopted in 1916, the federal government improves roads in states that lend financial co-operation. The bill passed today is in furtherance of that policy. It was pointed out in the debate today that the appropriations heretofore made for road building will be exhausted on June 30, 1925, and that if the government is to continue co-operation with the states in making such improvements, the funds proposed must be authorized.

The argument was advanced that the authorization should be made at this time in order that the states might have time to prepare the proper surveys, plans and specifications.

The bill provides that the Secretary of Agriculture shall pro rate the amounts authorized to the several states on January 1 of each year in order that the states may advertise for bids and let contracts previous to the building season, and not be delayed by the indefinite date which now obtains in the passage of the various appropriation bills.

The bill also provides that the Secretary of Agriculture be authorized to rework and recondition explosives transferred to him by the Secretary of War for the improvement of roads under his supervision.

Daugherty Takes The Count

Harry M. Daugherty, who once professed a desire to be heard before the Senate committee investigating the Department of Justice, has changed his mind. He explains that he now has the authority of a court that the investigation is illegal and, therefore, he does not feel it necessary to reply to the testimony which has been heard before it.

This, in common sense, is not to be accepted as the true reason for Daugherty's disdain. He may not have been afraid to subject himself to cross-examination prior to revelations made by other witnesses. Now there is a multitude of things to be explained, and Daugherty has no stomach for the enterprise. He holds in contempt the persons, his own former employees and associates, who have made damaging admissions before the committee, but would prefer to let their testimony stand rather than take an opportunity to refute it, though his refutation would be printed on the first page of every daily newspaper in the land.

In the refusal of this opportunity Daugherty can hope to hold the credulity of only the most purblind of partisans and the few people who never read a newspaper. Unrefuted the volume of evidence showing how the Department of Justice under him was operated in collusion with the underworld and was honeycombed with graft is overwhelming. Daugherty's explanation is an evasion; his silence regarding the evidence a confession. When it came to the issue, Daugherty, like Fall, refused to incriminate himself. The "scandal-mongering" investigations of the Harding Cabinet have been 100 per cent vindicated.—PostDispatch.

A. J. Moore, who is a student at the Illinois University, is home on his vacation.

Mrs. Mollie Long, who has been quite ill from asthma for the past three weeks, is improving slowly.

Dr. O. E. Kendall and wife, who have been attending the Confederate Veteran Reunion at Memphis, Tenn., returned home Friday.

The editor, son Ben, granddaughters, Rosemary and Patricia Blanton, Gordon and Emily Blanton, Laura Jo Smith, Louis Ellen Tanner and Jap Wilson took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins near Vanduser, Friday.

A. D. Dailey, son of S. M. Dailey of Vanduser, spent a few days last week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dailey at their home. The young man is a graduate of the Manhattan, Kansas, School of Journalism and after a visit with relatives in Indiana, will seek a field for his profession. The Standard acknowledges a call.

DEMOCRATS EAGER TO MAKE TAXATION ISSUE

Washington, June 5.—If President Coolidge intends to make taxes an issue he will not find the Democrats loath, as was indicated today by the lengthy and emphatic statement issued by Senator Simmons (Democrat, North Carolina) in answer to the president's adverse commentaries upon the new revenue law.

"The president and Mr. Mellon evidently die hard" began the Simmons rejoinder. "It was to be expected after their strenuous efforts in behalf of the Mellon plan that they would be somewhat resentful, not to say humiliated, at its emphatic repudiation by the representatives of the people in both branches of Congress."

"But it was not to be expected that the president would make the signing of the bill an occasion for a quasi-political speech and an ill-disguised attempt to justify this discredited Mellon scheme by an indirect assault upon the Congress."

"The president's statement advances no new arguments or facts; it is merely an adroit and clever recapitulation of the overworked propaganda in favor of the Mellon plan. By many it will be regarded as a somewhat painful exhibition of disappointment and chagrin and by others as a shrewd political move to play both ends against the middle."

"Surely if the president and the Republican party wish to make the Mellon plan as against the Democratic plan written in the new law, an issue in the approaching campaign, they may rest assured that the issues will be heartily welcomed by the Democratic party."

Senator Simmons, being the minority mentor on taxes had tariffs, his statement was more a party than personal expression. He reviewed the president's objections and added: "Divest the arguments and contentions of the president and Mr. Mellon of this boggy of investment in tax-free securities and their whole case against a higher surtax rate falls to the ground."

Senator Simmons estimated that, based on 1922 returns, "5400 individuals would pay more taxes under the Democratic plan than under the Mellon plan, but because of the lower rates of the Democratic plan upon incomes below \$67,000 over 6,500,000 would pay less tax than under the Mellon plan."

"The record shows that of the total net income returned from business for the year 1921, amounting to \$2,366,318,000, only \$47,000,000 of this was returned by individuals whose incomes were in excess of \$70,000. Taking these several statements of facts together, it must, therefore, be apparent that the Democratic plan, because of its lower rates on incomes below \$67,000, would result in releasing much more money for investment in productive enterprises than would result from the Mellon plan."

"The argument for the Democratic plan is not based upon assumptions and conjectures, but upon facts disclosed in the rates of the two plans and in the data in the treasury department."

Joe Haw, of Benton, spent a few hours in Sikeston Friday.

Miss Frances Baker is visiting her mother and grandmother, who are in St. Luke's Hospital, at St. Louis.

Mrs. J. F. Cox and Mrs. M. A. Arterburn have gathered nearly 1000 gallons of cherries from their trees this season. Forty cents per gallon was the selling price.

Mrs. Charles Anderson, 33, of Grayridge, died at a Poplar Bluff hospital Thursday from injuries suffered in the tornado which swept this region May 23 last. Her 1-year-old child is in a serious condition from injuries suffered at that time.

The fire truck was called to the home of Mrs. Tywatter in the north-west part of town Thursday afternoon about 3.00. The roof was damaged and other minor damages were made. The insurance on the house had only expired a few days before and had not yet been renewed. The cause of the fire is not known, it being first noticed on the roof of the porch on the northeast side.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whitener of Miami, Okla., who had spent the past three or four weeks here, guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Chas. Bryan, having been detained on account of Mrs. Whitener's illness left Tuesday for Sikeston. Mrs. Whitener expects to remain at Sikeston for a visit of some time with relatives. Mr. Whitener will go on to Bowling Green, Ky., where he and his wife are locating.—Desloge Sun.

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A cotton stalk in the window of
the Skeston Seed Co. is in bloom and
is attracting some attention. It will
be a long time before any bloom will
be seen in the fields.

Very few papers of either political
faith that reach The Standard office
carry canned political dope. The
Bloomfield Tribune never fails to
carry all that is sent in. Being post-
master makes a difference, though.

The weather permitting, the
Fourth of July Whiz Bang at Skest-
on this year will surpass that of last
year. All preparations are going
forward to that end and all commit-
tees appointed are perfecting their
part of the program. If you have
no program in your home town or
neighborhood, come to Skeston and
enjoy yourself.

The terrible crime committed by
the Jewish youths, Leopold and Loeb,
in Chicago and the attempted as-
sassination of Senator Kenney in St.
Louis by a crazy Turk, should be a
warning to the public to be on the
lookout for the idle rich and the crazy
foreigners. Insanity will be the
plea to save all three of their worth-
less necks.

If we were writing the Democratic
platform at New York, we would say
nothing about prohibition or the Vol-
stead Act for the reason that the
Eighteenth Amendment is on the
statute books to remain forever and
needs no defense. The temperance
cranks of the United States who are
straddling around over the country—
for pay—are the agitators and the
sooner they are snubbed, the sooner
the agitation against prohibition will
subside. Elect honest men to office
and respect the law yourself and all
will be well.

We understand that in Detroit, "the
home of the auto", they take the li-
cense plates off a car when the per-
son driving it has been arrested the
second time for speeding, reckless
driving or driving while intoxicated.
And, of course, since the car can't be
driven without tags, he is simply kept
off of the seat of one until he is rein-
stated. It's not a bad idea, either.
If the average Caruthersville auto
owner knew that he either had to
drive sensibly and carefully or lose
the right to drive, he'd never forget
himself, and he'd seldom be injured
or injure other people. There is a
certain temptation to "give her the
gas" when a pretty stretch of road
looms into view. But the possibility
of forfeiting the right to drive and of
having a car on his hands that could
not be taken out of the garage would
do away with even this temptation.
The country is getting so full of au-
tos that something will have to be
done to protect those who drive them
and those who walk. And we fully
expect to see the time come when
there will be a law whereby a man
will lose his car if he doesn't drive it
sensibly.—Caruthersville Democrat.

The Record Of 1920-1924

The Post-Dispatch reprints today
on another page an editorial review
by the New York World of the Re-
publican administration from the in-
ception of the presidential campaign
of 1920 to the present. The review
is devoted to the evidence of corrup-
tion which has been brought out by
the various investigations.

In the review the World rejects
gossip and rumor. It does not touch
petty charges or underlying offenders.
It ignores Roxie Stinson and other
associates of former Attorney-Gen-
eral Daugherty. It does not quote the
utterances of Democratic opponents.
"Every charge", the World says,
"rests either on an indictment, on
evidence reported by Republicans in
good standing, or on a confession un-
der oath which has not been challeng-
ed by the accused".

The administration is accused of
dishonesty in the betrayal of the dis-
abled veterans by Forbes, in the looting
of public property by Fall, in the
corruption of the Department of
Justice by Daugherty. It is accused
of shielding dishonesty, of obstruct-
ing investigation, resisting exposure
and lending aid to dishonest men. It
is accused of permitting its agents
to terrorize public officials pursuing
public wrong-doing. The respectable
members of the administration are
charged with slackness in preventing
wrong, with timidity and partisan-
ship in failing to assist exposure, in
failing to condemn publicly and un-
equivocally the dishonesty that has
been exposed—in short, with lacking
that high standard of public duty,
courage and vigilance in preventing
dishonesty in the past and in setting
an example of courage and vigilance
which would go far towards prevent-
ing it in the future.

The World traces the beginning of
the corruption from the beginning of
the presidential campaign; in the
huge sums expended in the presiden-
tial primary and the greater sums ex-
pended in the election. The total Re-
publican expenditures reported by the
Kenyon committee amounted to \$8,-
100,739, as compared with the Demo-
cratic expenditure of \$2,237,770.

It touches upon the case of New-
berry as proof of Republican com-
placency towards corrupt practices in
elections.

It reviews the organization of the
"inner circle" designed to control the
places vital to corrupt dealings such
as the Department of Justice with
Daugherty at the head.

It recites turning over of the Vet-
erans' Bureau, with its large field of
expenditures, to the unspeakable
Forbes; the appointment of Fall, the
transferring of the naval will reserve
from the Navy Department to the
Department of the Interior; the at-
tempt to organize the spoils branch
of the Department of the Treasury,
through Dover, who was made As-
sistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The records of Fall, Forbes and
Daugherty are thoroughly reviewed,
proving dishonesty and corruption be-
yond question. Daugherty's guilt is
emphasized by the refusal of himself
and his brother, Mel Daugherty, af-
ter repeated urgent requests to be
given the privilege of a hearing, to
appear before the Brookhart inves-
tigating committee; and the refusal
of Mel Daugherty to permit the
books of his bank to be examined.

The World then reviews the atti-
tude of the "best minds" of the ad-
ministration in pleading ignorance of
what had been done, in failing to
speak out or act and in some cases in
attempting to belittle the significance
of the exposure and to brand the men
engaged in the investigations with
scandal mongering and with using
the power of the investigation they
were conducting for base ends.

It concludes that the administra-
tion which came into power on March
4, 1921, "was inspired by so low a
standard of public service, involving
such easy-going tolerance of graft
and waste, that it has produced the
most extraordinary record of dishonest-
y known in this generation".

The review presents with restraint
an appalling record of wrongdoing in
high places, and complaisant toler-
ance of wrongdoing by officials in the
highest places. It presents the situa-
tion in Washington clearly and con-
vincingly. It foreshadows the issue
in the next campaign with which all
Americans should be thoroughly fa-
miliar, so that their votes may be
cast intelligently, to the end that cor-
ruption may be rooted out of the Fed-
eral Government.—Post-Dispatch.

The three firms that are doing the
greatest amount of advertising in
Dexter just now are the Southwest-
ern Bell Telephone Company, the
Standard Oil Company and Henry
Ford, and yet many of our merchants
tell us that their business is so well
established that they don't need to
advertise! Funny isn't it? If there
are firms in the country that are well
known certainly it is the three men-
tioned and yet they persist in throw-
ing their money away on country
newspapers.—Dexter Messenger.

The Cause of Southern Confederacy

The veterans of the Confederate
Army and Navy will hold their grand
reunion in the city of Memphis dur-
ing the present week.

Not many veterans will be present
when compared to the number of sol-
diers and sailors who followed the
flag of the Confederacy from '61 to
'65. But a goodly number will be
here.

It is a little more than 59 years
since the guns of the Confederacy be-
came silent forever.

Only those who went into the army
very young in '61 and those who en-
tered in the later years of the war
survive.

The former president of this com-
pany, W. J. Crawford, who enlisted
in '61 passed away last fall. Luke
E. Wright and W. B. Mallory, Con-
federates, who were officers of the
Commercial Publishing Company,
had already gone to the other shore.

June 6th, will be one of the Re-
union days in Memphis. On June 6,
sixty-two years ago, there was a na-
val battle in front of Memphis. On
that day the flag of the federals was
broken out from the top of the City
Hall. The city remained, thereafter,
under the control of the federal army
except for a day in '64 when Forrest
troopers stamped the Union Army
and held Memphis for more than
three hours.

On the day previous to the capture
of Memphis, The Appeal retired to
Grenada, Miss. The Appeal did not
return until after the surrender. The
Appeal was printed behind the Con-
federate lines. By the way, we
think The Memphis Appeal was the
best paper ever printed in Atlanta or
Montgomery.

Life is short. Four hundred and
twenty-one general officers held com-
missions in the Confederate Army.
Only one of them is living. Eight
full generals are dead. Kirby Smith
was the last of this group to go.

There were 17 lieutenant generals.
The last of these to pass away was
Buckner.

There were 75 major generals. We
believe that Stephen D. Lee was the
last to die.

There were 321 brigadiers. Only
McCausland survives. His home is in
West Virginia. Wright, Adam John-
son and Smith died within the last
two years.

There are no flag officers of the
Confederate navy living. They died
earlier than the soldiers because the
high officers of the navy were older
men than men of equal rank in the
army.

The Civil War engendered less
permanent hate than any other civil
war or domestic rebellion history
chronicles. This statement may sur-
prise some of those whose took part
in it. The bitterness died down with-
in a generation. Much of the hatred
did not result from the war but from
the slavery question.

After the war there were outrages
and oppressions, but at the same time
there were many men on both sides
who realized that they were citizens
of a common country. Maybe the
bitterness died out also because the
mental poise of thinkers on both
sides was about the same. Their
point of observance was different.

There were no massacres and gen-
eral executions after the Civil War.
The civil wars in England were al-
ways followed by beheadings and
confiscation of property, exile and
other forms of punishment.

When claimants to the throne
fought for supremacy the victorious
followers usually killed the leaders
of the defeated party.

When Cromwell beat the forces of
Charles the headsman had plenty of
work to do and when Charles II came
back to the throne he exercised a
long memory and made it difficult
for many who had followed the cause of
the commonwealth.

The aftermath of the civil wars in
France was marked by blood. The
French Revolution was followed by a
saturnalia of killing. Even in
modern times England has more than
once put rebellious subjects to death.
The leader of the Confederacy was
held a prisoner. He was finally re-
leased. There was no public opin-
ion that could find a law upon which
he could be convicted.

Admiral Semmes was in danger of
his life for a time, but even his foes
admired his spirit and he was finally
permitted to go his way in peace.

General Lee, matchless leader of
the Confederacy, without hindrance,
became a schoolmaster. Some of the
general officers, governing their ac-
tions by their knowledge of history,
left the country, but after a time
they returned and they were not mol-
ested.

Within a few years the Confed-
erate soldiers were filling high offices.
Many of them were in the lower
House of Congress and many others
were in the Senate. They served the
union country with distinguished
ability and still later some of them
went into the cabinet. Garland, La-
mar and Herbert were conspicuous in

the cabinet of Grover Cleveland, and
later on, Lamar went to the supreme
bench.

Senator White of Louisiana was
appointed justice of the supreme
court. So pleased were his fellow
senators that the Republican mem-
bers moved that his nomination be
confirmed instantly. Later on this
distinguished jurist was appointed by
a Republican president to the office
of chief justice of the Supreme Court
of the United States.

This thing is not only a tribute to
the ability of the Confederate sol-
diers, but it is also a fine example of
the fundamental fairness of the
American people.

One reason for a resumption of a
better understanding was the cause
of the war itself. There were open
questions before the Civil War. One
group of men held that under certain
conditions states might withdraw
from the Union. Another group held
that the Union was an indivisible
unity. Indeed, it was taught at West
Point when Lee and men of his gen-
eration were students there that,
under certain conditions, there might
be a withdrawal from the compact
on the part of a state or states.

In those early days there was little
bitterness in the difference of opin-
ion. This question and other ques-
tions were open in '60. They were
settled in '65. The victory of the
federals made the decision.

So Confederate soldiers and Feder-
al soldiers when they started to re-
cuperate knew that this question was
behind them. The broader minds on
both sides knew that their job was to
build up the fortunes of the common
country and to make an America,
which in the coming generation
would be a great power in the fam-
ily of nations, a leader among the
righteous and a terror to evil doers.

The military history of the Civil
War is most interesting. The war
of the great charge, of the army with
banners, was gradually changed into
a war of attrition and force, and pre-
ponderance of force.

Lee was both a great tactician and
a great strategist. He dazzled his
followers and created for himself a
wild enthusiasm.

Grant measured men as units of
weight. He sought a preponderance
of men and guns and, having secur-
ed these, he set about to make this
preponderance felt.

In '61 and '62 armies swept back
and forth across fields of battle. In
'64 here and there trench warfare be-
came the order of the day.

The Civil War saw the beginning
of the breech loader, the rapid fire
gun and the explosive mine.

At sea the revolution in warfare
was complete. We passed from wood
to iron. Even then some brave spir-
its attempted to fight in submarines
under water. They were drowned.

In this same Civil War the field tel-
egraph was brought into play and
there was a suggestion of the bal-
loon. The inventors on both sides
were enterprising.

The remarkable thing about the
Confederacy was its tenacity. By all
the rules of the game the Confederates
were beaten July 4, 1863. On that
day Vicksburg surrendered and
Lee's army was withdrawing from
the Gettysburg slopes. On that day
the Mississippi River was opened, or
practically opened, from St. Louis to
the Gulf. The Confederacy was cut
into two parts.

In less than three months Bragg
was driving north towards Chatta-
nooga. In September Rosecrans' army,
fighting on the defensive was
beaten at Chickamauga and given
into the Chattanooga defense.

And that same fall Lee stood at

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bay in Virginia and Meade did not
follow up. In the shank of the fall
Grant finally got into Chattanooga
and beat Bragg at Missionary Ridge.

In the spring of '64 the federals in
their own minds, had no certainty of
victory. Johnson held the terrain in
North Georgia. Grant had gone east
to take the place of McClellan, Pope,
Burnside, Hooker and Meade whom
Lee had broken.

So in the spring Sherman started
to Atlanta and Grant started to
Richmond. Grant made no progress
during the summer. He changed his
base and attempted to strike Rich-
mond from the east flank. Then we
had the Petersburg campaign. There
we had trench warfare.

Sherman got to Atlanta late in
the summer, but Hood struck out
north. Grant made little material
progress against Lee except to wear
him down.

In the fall we found the Confed-
erate army pouring into Middle Ten-
nessee and headed for the Ohio River
In the west Forrest was making
trouble.

In the east was found the Confed-
erate force in the suburbs of Washing-
ton. A presidential election was on.
Many people in the north were de-
nouncing the war as a failure. Sher-
man's capture of Atlanta gave them
hope and Sheridan's flashy fight en-
couraged the easterners.

Wounded to the death, the Confed-
eracy in the autumn of '64 was a
menacing force, as dangerous as a
bleeding lion. The Confederates beat
Schofield at Franklin and rushed to-
wards Nashville. Just before Christ-
mas Thomas was about to be re-nov-
ated because he did not fight Hood.

People along the Ohio River
thought that Hood would be in Louis-
ville by the first of January. The
great western smash came at Nash-
ville. Sherman had reached the
sea, but Grant had not broken the
Confederate lines around Richmond.

Even so, with Sherman's army
marching north, with Hood's magni-
ficent soldiers withdrawing into
North Alabama the Confederate sol-
diers fought on until spring. During
this winter in the jaws of certain de-
feat these brave men stood firm,
fought, and bled and died. There was
no hope of victory in their great
hearts. They were knightly and they
were brave until the end.

The survivors of this magnificent
army are gathering in Memphis this
coming week. Their valor and their
courage come down to us as the

glory of America united. All honor
to the living, toll for the brave who
died.—Commercial Appeal.

A man, accompanied by his wife
and ten children, walked into a store
and said to the clerk: "I want to get
the whole lot of 'em fitted up in
shoes." After two hours of hard
work, the clerk succeeded in getting
each one fitted, and was beginning to
make out the bill. "Oh, don't bother
about that," said the man, "I don't
want to buy the shoes. I just want
to get the sizes, so's I can order
'em by mail".—New Madrid Record.

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anniversary of the coming of Christi-
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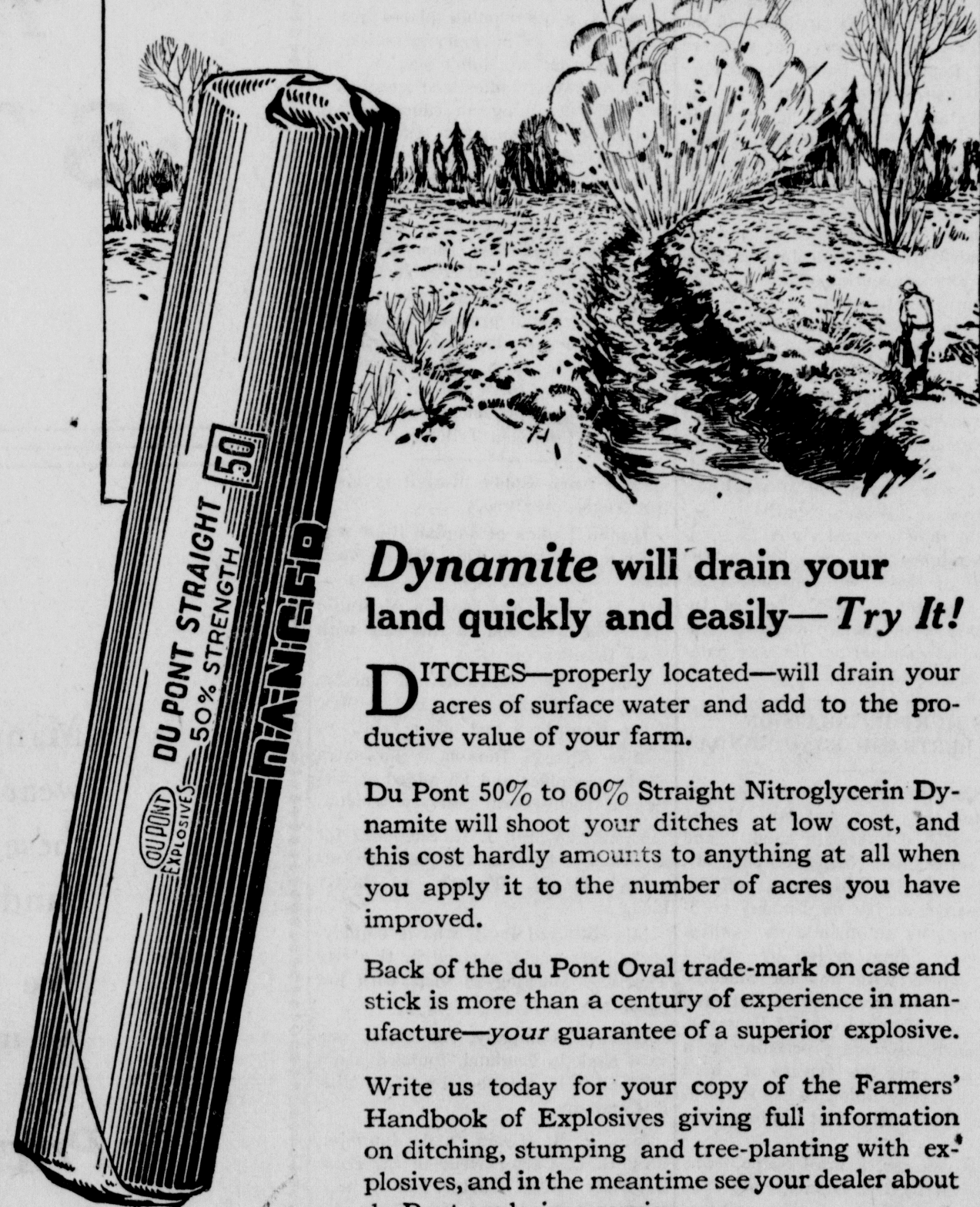
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the young, a miniature circus, which is truly entitled to be called a circus. Comedy is also supplied in the form of the two bucking mules "Ham-bone" and "Ham-hock", who challenge the world to ride them. Mr. Ray offers a goodly sum to any man, woman or child that will successfully ride either of his mules and the challenge is open to all.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

A fine baby girl weighing 11 lbs., was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy last week. Dr. Elders says it's one of the best babies he has ever seen.

The former Miss Iva Barnett surprised her many friends when she announced that she and Robert Church were married at Benton two years ago. No one had the least suspicion of the wedding. She resigned her position at the Bank of Morehouse, Saturday. She left Sunday for Cape Girardeau, where the couple will make their home.

Mrs. F. A. Elders was in Sikeston, Saturday, shopping.

A 10-pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Varvel, June 5. Mr. Varvel is wearing a smile from ear to ear.

James O. Shubert ran a nail thru his foot about two weeks ago while repairing some of the damage of the tornado. The wound became infected developing a slightcase of blood poisoning. Jimmie is now hobbling about. He says he is going to be at his cotton fields Monday and see that they are cleaned out.

The Superior Garage report the sale of an Essex coach to L. C. Smith of Grays Ridge.

Miss Gretchen Dunaway attended a bridge party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Anthony in Sikeston, Friday.

Norman Davis, road contractor, is putting the finishing touches to the trail 16, west of Morehouse, which he expects to turn over to the State next week.

Mrs. Ina May Rogers, Mrs. I. Jones and Miss Iva Tyson visted with friends in Cape Girardeau during the past week.

Mr. Leming has bought a new Willys-Knight Sedan.

Mrs. J. W. Sarff and sons, Jefferson, Chester and Warren, have gone to Galveston, Texas for a month's visit with Mrs. Sarff's sister.

The Boy Scout Troup of Morehouse under the leadership of Scout Master W. D. Lowe, will go south on an extended camping trip this week. Practically all the members have signed up to make the trip which will occupy a week's time. They expect to touch the Arkansas line on their wanderings.

Rev. Duckworth, Sunday School Extension Chief for the St. Louis Conference, with headquarters at Cape Girardeau, was a visitor in Morehouse on Sunday, and delivered the morning sermon at the M. E. Church.

Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Teal motored to Cairo on Sunday, stopping on their way back at the farm home of Thad Snow, who lives a short distance east of Charleston. Mr. Snow, widely known throughout Southeast Missouri for his active and aggressive interest in Farm Organization work, and his ability to raise alfalfa, admitted upon interrogation, that he had about 325 acres of cotton planted besides 100 acres of alfalfa, and considerable corn, wheat and clover. Upon one field of alfalfa which was examined, a partial cutting showed that at least 1 1/2 tons of fine hay per acre will be secured from the first cutting. At least three more cuttings will be secured.

The Bridge Club will meet Friday with Mrs. Joe Stubbs.

The Frisco excursion train from Caruthersville and way stations to St. Louis and return Sunday, was a big success in the way of passengers carried. The train consisted of 19 coaches and from Sikeston 115 tickets were sold. The passengers got into Sikeston at 6:00 o'clock Monday morning, tired but satisfied.

LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons, were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Heath of Sikeston visited in Matthews Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and daughter Miss Lillith, motored to Sikeston and Tanner Switch Monday, on business.

Howard Steele went to St. Louis Thursday, on business.

Relatives from Marston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Latimer last week.

Mrs. Lon Sparks and Mrs. Ethel Sparks and little daughter of Sikeston were guests of their sister, Mrs. Dave Morgan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Biggins and children of Cape Girardeau visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son were all-day guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter, Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons motored to Portageville Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moss.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickerman and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sutton of Crowe District were Matthews visitors Saturday.

G. D. Steele went to St. Louis Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and son, motored to Cape Girardeau, Friday. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Mrs. Willa Alsop and Miss Alice Deme, who are attending school at that place.

Geo. Randolph of Pt. Pleasant was in Matthews Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children motored to East Prairie Sunday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Roe Hill and daughter, Mrs. C. Critchlow went on the excursion to St. Louis, Sunday.

G. F. Deane had business in New Madrid, Friday.

We are very sorry to report that Mrs. Frank Ratcliff, who has been ill the past few months, is very little improved. We feel sure that if she would only go to some springs and remain a few months, she would be very much improved.

J. A. Alsop went to St. Louis on the excursion, Sunday.

Mrs. James Lancaster was a Sikeston visitor, Saturday.

Albert Dean has purchased a new Sedan.

G. F. Deane has been in Gideon the past few days on business.

Mrs. Leon Sartz, who is attending school in Cape Girardeau, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Steele and little daughter of New Madrid spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Steele.

Mrs. James Koglin of Canolou visited the latter's mother, Mrs. G. Elderbrook Sunday.

The past few days of pretty weather and sunshine have certainly improved the crops around in this vicinity. Cotton is certainly growing and looking fine in some of the fields. We feel sure that if the pretty weather continues, the farmer will be able to make a little. We know that their feelings are improved by the few days good weather, because the crops have boomed the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolen Henderschott and babe returned from New Madrid where they have been visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Thos. Holderby.

A. Ray Smith is in St. Louis on business.

J. P. Johnson of Chaffee motored to Sikeston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rose of McGee, Ark., are enjoying a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rose, of the Cole Furniture Co., parents of Mr. Rose. Mr. and Mrs. Rose were recently married at McDumont, Ark., home of the bride. She was formerly Miss Christine Kennedy. Mr. Rose is engaged in the wholesale grocery business. Sikeston people who have met this young couple, trust that they will visit Mother and Father Rose often.

The Republican National Convention meets in Cleveland, Ohio, this morning to ratify the cut and dried program of Coolidge for President. The tail-end of the kite means little to the voter as he has no say in affairs of State. It is hard for a Democrat to see just where this Republican Convention can point with pride at anything as their administration has been about the most corrupt of any in the history of the Nation. The farmer, the foundation of the Nation, is ground to the bone with taxes and high tariff and not one single thing has been done to help him in his troubles. The voters should bear in mind their treatment by Big Business and Tariff Protected Barons and swat every man that voted to rob the treasury for gifts not earned.



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Harold Lindley and Max Harper returned Sunday from Robinson.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society will meet this week with Mrs. Ben Welter.

Milton Haas returned from Kansas City, where he has been attending the Shriner Convention.

H. C. Halley of the State Highway Department, Jefferson City, arrived in this city Friday morning. Mr. Halley is here for a few days on business.

Miss Myra Tanner left Monday for El Paso, Texas to visit a few days. She will then visit in different parts of California and attend summer school at Berkeley, Calif.

Joe Matthews visited one of the farms near Anniston of Scott Alexander, and reports a perfect stand of cotton that was planted the first half of April. This farm was protected by woods pastures from the high winds. From six to eight leaves are on this cotton which looks very promising.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children, of Tamms, Ill., came over Saturday to spend the week-end with Mrs. Moll's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard. Mr. Moll and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver and children motored over Sunday to accompany Mrs. Moll home. Little Miss Lavinia Moll remained in Sikeston for an extended visit with her grandparents.

The guests and friends of Skillman's went on a picnic Sunday over by Dexter.

Miss Pauline Moore of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

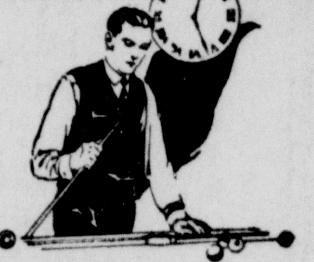
Mrs. C. D. Matthews and Miss Virginia Matthews left Sunday for Alton, Ill., where they will attend the graduation exercises of Western Military Academy.

Alfred Tanner and Herman Klueber of Colton, Calif., left Sikeston on Monday for Arlington, Ky., where they will spend a few days. From Arlington they will go up in Michigan, where they will attend summer school.

What America needs more than railway extension, western irrigation, a low tariff, a bigger wheat crop, a merchant marine and a new navy is a revival of piety, the kind father and mother used to have—piety that counted it good business to stop for daily family prayer before breakfast, right in the middle of harvest; that quit field work a half hour early Wednesday nights so as to get the chores done and go to prayer meeting. That's just what we need now to clean this country of filth, of graft and of greed, petty and big, of worship of fine homes and big lands and high office and social functions.—Wall Street Journal, N. Y.

Mrs. Moore Greer entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner Thursday evening. Covers were laid for Miss Pauline Moore of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Alfred Tanner and Herman Klueber, of Colton, Calif.

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Miss Anita Winchester left Sunday for Arlington, Ky., to spend a few days with Miss Dorothy Lillard.

Mrs. Row Edgerton and Misses Georgia Miller and Mary Belle Sheppard of Caruthersville are guests of J. Ed Green and family.

J. H. Crumley, geologist, of Fort Worth, Texas, brother of the late Mrs. H. C. Pratt, visited the latter part of the week with his nieces, Mesdames W. S. Smith and C. S. Tanner. He specializes in oil fields.

THREE DENMAN CHILDREN RECEIVE BROKEN ARMS

Monday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman and three little sons were returning from Benton, his Ford sedan turned over, just outside of Morley. The three little boys each received a broken arm and Mr. and Mrs. Denman were considerably bruised.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hazel of Vanduser and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jones of Morehouse were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Latham and children went to Dexter Saturday afternoon. Mr. Latham returned Sunday afternoon, while Mrs. Latham and children remained for a longer visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kinney.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Mrs. Magie Totty of Skeston visited her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Park, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mahar in this city, a few hours last Thursday.

Mrs. H. D. Russell of Chicago arrived Thursday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. V. Jones of this city.

Mrs. Geo. Ferguson was called to Osceola, Ark., last Saturday by the illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scooby and family accompanied by Mrs. Ed Bishop of Marston stopped over in New Madrid Saturday a few hours en route to their home from Skeston.

Mrs. Mary de Gruchy of Montreal, Canada was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hunter last week.

Joe McOrate of Portageville was a business visitor in New Madrid, Friday.

Mrs. Samuel Hunter, Jr., left Sunday for St. Louis to be present at the graduation of her daughter, Miss Evelyn Hunter, Thursday, June 12, at Visitation Academy.

Mrs. Betty Householder closed her school at Ristine Friday, June 6th. Quite a surprise was given her in the afternoon by the patrons of the school, who gathered there and enjoyed the time with the pupils and teacher, serving ice cream and cakes. This last year was Mrs. Householder's fifth year of teaching at Ristine, declining to teach another year.

Mrs. Oscar Wilkinson and three children left Sunday for Marston, accompanied by the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith, where they will spend a few days visiting the family of D. C. Kimes, before returning to their home in Blytheville, Ark.

Atty. M. E. Montgomery and M. G. Gresham of Skeston attended Circuit Court in New Madrid Saturday afternoon.

C. T. Jarvis, stenographer for Judge E. M. Deering of the 21st district, of De Soto, has been the Court stenographer the past week or two, in the absence of Louie Shult, who has been indisposed at his home in Caruthersville.

Mrs. Samuel Hunter left last week for a trip to Boston, Mass.

Oscar Fuller and Atty. O. A. Cook of Portageville attended Circuit Court in New Madrid, Friday.

Arthur Johnson of La Forge procured license Saturday afternoon at the Recorder's office in this city to marry Miss Opal D. Jones of Lilbourn. The marriage to take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jones.

Forty-six cities of the United States show one hundred per cent boost in rentals during the last ten years.

Lord Oliver, Secretary of State for India, says that when officials are regarded as seeming unsympathetic to native people, it is found that the missionaries are able to attain a perfect sympathy and understanding.

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NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

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George Arnold of Benton spent Saturday in Skeston.

J. W. Black and family returned from Indiana, Sunday.

Joe Haw is spending a few days in this city with Marvin Carroll.

Light travels 186,000 miles per second and radio waves 165,000 miles per second.

Louis Emory Baker, who is a student of Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill., is home for his vacation.

The shingle bob, the high-and-round, the Gloria Swanson and all the other bobs that girls adopt nowadays, may be la mode, but they're the inevitable forerunner of boils, carbuncles and other growths which formerly made their exclusive habitation on male necks, according to Dr. James Stewart, director of hygiene in the St. Louis public schools. "Men have carbuncles and boils because their necks are irritated by the barber's clippers and razor, or by the rubbing of clothing on the short hair", Dr. Stewart said, "and with the advent of bobbed hair, the growths have begun to invade the feminine neck and will continue to appear so long as short hair is the style."

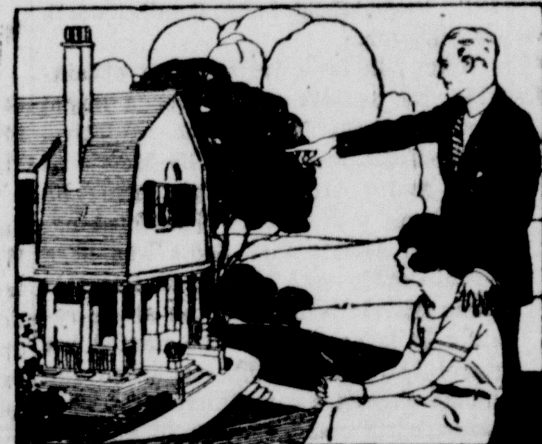
S. Glenn Young, Ku Klux kleagle and dry leader, after he withstood the murderous fire of the Herrin gangsters on the Atlantic-Pacific trail in the southwest corner of this county last Friday afternoon, was sent to a Catholic hospital by a Jew, where the nurses are Catholic sisters. One of the doctors who administered to his sufferings was a Catholic and the son of a saloonkeeper, and both doctors are anti-klan and wet men. There was no record of a Senegambian participating in the relief work, but a five-gallon jug with four gallons of musty wine of pre-Volstead vintage was found in the tonneau of the Lincoln sedan driven by the self-styled enforcement officer. It is said that he was exceeding the speed limit, transporting liquor and carrying an excess of arms and ammunition, all in violation of law.—the Carlyle (Ill.) Constitution.



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A persimmon that will not pucker the mouth has been found in Japan. Arnold J. Carroll, of the Blodgett vicinity, has announced in The Standard for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary. He was born and raised in Scott County, 7 miles north of Skeston, received his education in the Skeston schools and the Cape Normal, was deputy assessor for three years under Bob Canon and is eminently fitted for the position. He is 34 years of age and a pleasing personality to meet.

The centenary of the Monkland and Kirkcaldy Railway, the first public railway in Scotland, is due this year. The railway was authorized in 1824, opened in 1826, and amalgamated with the North British Railway in 1865.

A delegation representing the Chinese Association of Tokio recently called on Foreign Minister Matsui and presented a memorial protesting against Japanese exclusion of Chinese, declaring that the Chinese expect the same consideration from Japan as is seeking from the United States.

It is said that fifty per cent of the Hungarian national wealth is in the hands of the Jews.

Rudyard Kipling is living the quiet life of a farmer in Sussex. His farm-er neighbors discount his literary activities, but give him full credit for his knowledge of farming.

Scores of persons were overcome by automobile exhaust fumes in the twin Liberty tunnels at Pittsburgh recently when traffic was tied up and hundreds of cars with engines running were stopped. Airshafts proved insufficient, and more than twenty persons were sent to hospitals.

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Located on East Malone, a half block east of Kingshighway, is the Parish Motor Company's large garage, one of the largest establishments of its kind in Sikeston. The building is 56x130 feet, with storage capacity for more than fifty cars, and the excellent patronage this place has, keeps its storage capacity well filled up at all times, day and night. L. T. Parish, the owner and manager of this large establishment has been in the automobile repair and sales business for twelve years. He has been a citizen of Sikeston for over twenty-two years, and is the pioneer automobile man of this county, having had the agency for the Ford car a number of years ago, when only a few automobiles of any kind had been introduced into this country.

This establishment is the home of the famous Haynes automobile, the pioneer car of America. The story of America's first car has been told in every tongue, it has been printed in every language and it has been sent through the air by radio. Tradition has a tremendous part in fashioning the ideals for Haynes manufacture. The Haynes is America's first car, and pride of that fact has resulted in every employee of the great factories making a silent resolves that the Haynes shall be first in quality, first in service, and first in lasting satisfaction. The new 1924 Haynes 60 Sport and Standard models are the crystallization of this resolution, a dollar-for-dollar value having the enthusiastic approval of the great body of shrewd motorists.

Besides this famous car, this establishment features the well known Federal tires and Century batteries, maintaining service departments for all makes of tires and batteries, and

doing a general auto repair business, maintaining a complete gas and oil station, with auto accessories and a prompt and efficient road service. A number of good mechanics are employed and all work is fully guaranteed, in all departments.

AMERICAN CEDAR TRADE ABANDONED BY GERMANY

Nuremberg, Germany, June 5.—East Africa has replaced the United States as the source of supply of cedar for the Nuremberg pencil industry. This German industry, which centers here, has fully recovered from the after effects of the war, and in trade circles it is reported that the manufacturers have enough foreign orders on hand to keep the plants in full operation many months. Both the cedar and the graphite for pencils are imported the main graphite supply being found in Siberia. Previous to 1914 the cedar was imported principally from America and the West Indies, but the war upset the old channel of trade and new fields in East Africa have been developed.

More than 20,000 houses have been built in Yokohama, Japan, since the earthquake.

The Rothschilds family of Vienna, international bankers, were taxed \$72,000 for the forty-seven servants kept.

To wash the 11,000 panes of glass in the Equitable building in New York City, 10 men are kept constantly employed.

A gold coin from the United States labelled "Christian Idol From America" is part of a collection of idols from many lands possessed by a man in India.

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NEW PARAMOUNT, "CODE OF THE SEA", COMING

Thousands of women unconsciously love cowards, according to Jacqueline Logan, popular Paramount player. "These" she adds, "are largely moral cowards—the kind of men, who could right many wrongs but are restrained because they fear what the world will think of them. Shifting blame to someone else and assuming innocence is so much easier.

It is the second type of coward—the physical—which is portrayed in "Code of the Sea", a Victor Fleming Paramount production, in which Miss Logan is featured with Rod La Rocque.

This is the story of a young man with a yellow streak, a coward just as his father was before him.

There comes a night, when a violent storm at sea, with strong gusts of wind and driving rains arises. The yacht Neroid, with Jenny (Miss Logan) as a passenger, is trying to stagger to port against the fury of the eddies and elements. At the same time the passenger ship Northern, captained by Jenny's father (George Fawcett), has lost its propeller.

By wireless, McDow (La Rocque), commander of a lightship, learns of the plight of both. The Northern commands him to stay at his post so that it can bring its human cargo to shore, and simultaneously the Neroid flashes that it is sinking.

Duty requires McDow, the coward, to stay at his post. The code of the sea is that no lightship can leave its moorings until relieved. Jenny on the Neroid faces death. On the yacht only a handful are endangered, while on the Northern there are hundreds depend upon his decision.

And it is this decision which supplies the smashing, spectacular climax of "Code of the Sea", which will be shown Friday at the Malone Theatre.

The story was written for Paramount production by Byron Morgan and is considered one of the most powerful ever transferred to film.

MUSIC HAS GREAT CHARM IN NEW FILM THEME

The power of music in the world had never been utilized for a motion picture basis until Victor Hugo Halperin wrote and directed "When a Girl Loves" for Associated Exhibitors release. The production is not merely dedicated to the cause of music. It's whole implication is bound up with Drida's famous Souvenir.

An impressive example of this occurs in the scene where Michael Roden, a Russian nobleman thrown into prison after the Revolution, sings his way to freedom. The beauty of his voice moves even the hard-hearted official who guards him. He could kill a man without flinching, but he could not kill the pure glory of that voice. So Michael goes free.

The role as interpreted by Percy Marmont achieves a wonderful appeal to the sympathies of an audience. Playing "opposite" Marmont is Agnes Ayres, the beautiful and talented Paramount star, "loaned" to Halperin for this production. This unusual picture is the main screen attraction at the Malone Theatre on Wednesday.

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ALIBI BEING FRAMED FOR OIL LEASE GRAFT

Washington, D. C., June 6.—The first step in what is characterized as an attempted alibi for the oil scandal was taken today by old guard members of the public lands committee.

They filed with the Senate a "statement" complaining that they did not have "adequate opportunity" to examine the majority views presented yesterday by Senator Walsh of Montana. The effect of it was to withhold their approval from and to cast reflection upon the majority views.

Senator Spencer (Republican), Missouri, was the author of the dissenting statement. He did not become a member of the committee until the hearings were nearly over and he has steadily sought to build up a case to defend the leasing of the oil reserves. Senators Smoot, Stanfield, Cameron and Bursum joined him in signing his statement.

Spencer's action was expected. His assignment to the committee by the old guard was recognized as being for the same purpose that Spencer served in the famous Newberry case when he became the main defender of the Newberry election methods.

But there was some surprise that Cameron and Bursum would consent to withhold approval from the Walsh report since it was merely a recitation of the undisputed facts, free of characterization or even of recommendations. It was chiefly a review of the evidence.

Challenged by Walsh on the floor of the Senate to show where in the majority report contained "many mistakes" as the Spencer document maintained, Spencer was unable to give a single instance. He reported that he would enter a detailed report later on.

Walsh with sharp sarcasm commented on the old guard contentions that they had not had an "adequate opportunity" to study the Walsh report.

Walsh pointed out that the committee spent two entire days in going over his report word by word, correcting and perfecting it, but Spencer, Smoot, Stanfield, Bursum and Cameron failed to attend.

They came in at intervals but made excuses that other matters called them away. The majority members of the committee regard this as part of a pre-determined plan to reflect unfavorably on the majority conclusions.

Spencer's statement said: "The undersigned members of the committee on Public Lands and Surveys submit to the Senate the following statement with regard to the report on the lease upon Naval Oil reserves as presented by the committee.

"No adequate opportunity has been given them to examine the report which has been submitted. The final hearings are not yet returned from the printer.

"A casual reading of the report indicated many mistakes and conclusions and inferences of fact and law which, in the judgment of the undersigned are unwarranted by the testimony.

"On May 14, when the hearings were discontinued for this session, request was made of record that an opportunity of at least a few days be afforded in order to examine the report which the senior senator from Montana, Mr. Walsh, indicated he intended to prepare, and that such opportunity be given before the report was submitted to the committee for final action. No such opportunity was afforded.

"The report was printed and presented June 4 to the committee for immediate consideration and action. It was on that date first presented to the undersigned. It has been physically impossible to examine, in any fair or adequate manner, the statements of the report, which deals with such voluminous testimony and which attempts to pass judgment on disputed questions of law and upon controverted facts.

"The report indicated that the hearings before the committee are not yet concluded, and are to be resumed in case the authority of the committee as the representative of the Senate be vindicated in its attempt further to interrogate H. F. Sinclair.

"The undersigned will prepare and submit to the Senate such matters as may, in their judgment, have been overlooked by the report as presented, and such questions and changes as, in their judgment, should be brought to the attention of the Senate before any final action is taken."

Who said that colored shoes were going out? The vogue for a touch of red has brought red shoes into favor with many women who wear them today to set off a costume in which otherwise the red would pass unheeded.

Missouri Road Problem

B. H. Piepmeyer

Everyone is interested in our state road program. They should be especially interested just now, as the program will be greatly retarded in 1925 if something is not done to remedy the condition at an early date.

The State Fund Commission has no authority to sell and road bonds in 1925. This would mean a serious delay in our construction program. The next Legislature will be confronted with a difficult problem to provide road construction and maintenance funds next year because of the present limited revenue.

The road boosters of the State, acting through the Missouri Automobile Club have started the circulation of an initiative petition so that the question of additional funds and a speeding up of the construction program may be acted upon by all voters at the regular election in November to relieve this embarrassing condition.

Highway Needs. Your State Highway Commission in a formal statement presented to the Legislature in February, 1923, set out clearly that the \$60,000,000 of State road bonds would not complete the hard-surfacing of the entire State Highway system of 7,640 miles laid out by the Legislature. Under date of March 20, 1924, your Commission further stated that public sentiment is demanding a much more rapid completion of the roads than is possible under the present law governing the expenditure of the \$60,000,000 of road bonds, and that some definite financing program should be provided at an early date to insure the completion of the 7,640 miles of State roads designated.

For an adequate financing plan the Commission has recommended a fifty per cent increase in motor license fees, which will make the owner of a Ford car pay \$3.50 more, bringing the average license fee in Missouri to \$12.75, for all cars, a gasoline tax of two cents per gallon, for motor vehicle fuel, excluding fuel for tractors, etc., and the privilege of selling bonds at a rate of not to exceed \$15-000,000 annually. This additional

revenue, together with the motor license fees that are now collected, will provide an income for state road purposes of between \$9,000,000 and \$10,000,000 annually. This will enable the Department to speed up the complete the entire road system in every county of the State at a date not far beyond the time originally provided for in the Centennial Road Law for completing the \$60,000,000 program.

Financing. The Centennial Road Law intended for the motor owner to finance the construction and maintenance of the \$60,000,000 program and it is evident that the motor license fees will finance the \$60,000,000 bond program without any property tax. It is equally evident that the additional income suggested by the Commission will complete the 764 miles of State roads without any additional bonds or property tax.

"Should the motor owners finance the construction and maintenance of the entire state road mileage?" and "Can they afford it?" are questions frequently raised.

Motor owners can well afford the expense necessary to construct and maintain the 7640 miles, or seven per cent system. Investigations have been made over a period of about 5 years by the Iowa State College and the Iowa State Highway Department, in co-operation with the U. S. Office of Public Roads, to determine the cost of operating motor vehicles over different types of highways. Runs have been made of thousands of miles over various types of road surfacing with many kinds of motor vehicles. From the data collected, we find that there is an average saving of two and one-half cents per mile in gasoline, tires and general upkeep of the cars in favor of the improved road over the ordinary dirt road. I am sure that most of you will agree that the bad condition of our roads during the past six months has cost you large sums of money and expensive delays in many instances more than two and one-half cents per mile quoted above.

It is estimated that eighty-five per cent of the mileage traveled by the rural motor owner and at least 25

per cent of the mileage traveled by the owners of motor vehicles in Kansas City and St. Louis, would be up on the state system, if it were improved. Assuming that the motor owner travels about five thousand miles annually, we would have at least 2500 miles, or fifty per cent of the total road mileage traveled by the motor owners of the State on the State road system. The saving, therefore, to the motor owner, at the rate of two and one-half cents per mile in operating his car over a hard-surfaced road compared with operating over the average dirt road, would be at least \$62.50, because of the improvement of the state road system.

On this basis the 476,000 automobile owners registered in Missouri last year could save over \$30,000,000 annually; this figure is far in excess of the annual amount being spent for State road improvement, or the amount contemplated to be spent in any one year. It is evident to everyone who drives a car that there is a big saving when driving upon an improved road; a saving that is far in excess of the extra license fee and gasoline tax that is suggested.

The average motor license fee in the United States is approximately \$11.50. The recommended increase for Missouri license fees will put this State on about the same basis as the average of other States in the Union.

Thirty-eight States now have a gasoline tax for highway purposes, ranging from one to four cents per gallon. Missouri can well afford a gasoline tax as it will provide a means for her visitors to help construct and maintain her roads, and will distribute the expense in proportion to the use of the roads. The

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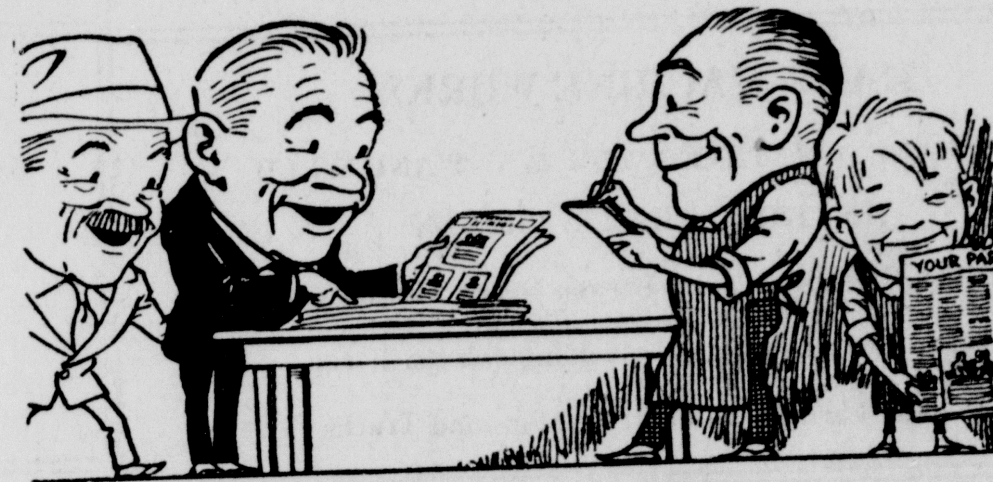
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RALSTON SAYS HE NEVER HAS WANTED PRESIDENCY

Indianapolis, Ind., June 5.—Declaring there "is something about the greatness of this exalted position that admonishes me against wanting to undertake the execution of its grave and solemn duties", United States Senator Ralston today urged the Indiana Democratic State convention not to consider him a candidate for the presidency.

"Great as this honor is, however, I would not speak truthfully to you should I refrain from saying that I have never aspired to the presidency of this country", Ralston said. "If there be those who doubt my sincerity in what I am saying, let me lay additional emphasis on my state of mind by declaring that this convention will please me most by allowing the delegates from Indiana to the New York convention to go unimpaired."

"I am anxious that the delegates from my home State shall go to the national convention with open minds and perfect freedom to participate in nominating the best man to lead our party in the presidential contest this year."

The Senator said the Democratic party should choose as its candidate a man who is "human through and through; who knows America and who wants this country to do its part in establishing peace—continuous peace—among the nations of the earth."

"If such a candidate is chosen", Ralston asserted, "his vision will sweep the world around and while by word and contribution he will want this country to lead in the service of mankind, still he will take care that the constitutional rights of America are not surrendered or placed in jeopardy."

The salvation of the people and the success of popular government rest on the honesty and efficiency of public servants, he said. Ralston declared that no government can be called honest that fails to uphold the equality of rights of individual citizens, or permits citizens generally to be taxed for the benefit of a favored few.

The platform as submitted to the convention by the Resolutions Committee contained no mention of the Ku Klux Klan by name, but referred to the Republican party as "having been delivered into the hands of an organization, which has no place in politics and which promulgates doctrines which tend to break down the safeguards which the Constitution throws around every citizen and repugnant to the principles of government advocated by Lincoln and Morton". The convention adopted the platform as submitted.

The plank rededicates the party to support the fundamental principles of the national and state constitutions which forbid a religious test as a qualification for holding office, and which do not deny the right of citizens to vote because of race, color or previous condition of servitude, and granting all men "shall be secured in their natural rights to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own consciences".

Dr. Carleton B. McCulloch of Indianapolis won the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. He was named on the third ballot.

GIRLS HURT IN COLLISION ON BERTRAND ROAD SUNDAY

Martha Isabelle Lynn, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lynn, suffered a broken hand, and Nina Sutherland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Sutherland, suffered a severe cut on the leg Sunday evening when the automobile in which they were riding, driven by Emily Lynn, collided with another machine driven by Vernon Groves of Bertrand. Both machines were proceeding at a rapid rate, and the drivers of both admit that they failed to see the other machine until just before the crash.

The Lynn car, a Ford coupe, was overturned by the impact, only the driver practically escaping uninjured. The other car, a Ford racer, has practically demolished, although its occupants, including, besides the driver, two girls and a small boy, were only bruised. The injured girls were brought to Charleston in a passing machine, and while both were painfully injured, both are convalescing. Eighteen stitches were required to close the cut sustained by the Sutherland girl, while several bones in the Lynn girl's hand were broken.—Charleston Courier.

Molasses will remove grass stains.

Present Day Decorum

Perhaps The Tribune is a trifle old-fashioned and its ideas possibly are obsolete and entirely out of date as to what constitutes good manners among young ladies and young gentlemen. It knows what was once regarded as decorum and decency, but since the new thought and new view points have gained ascendancy in our rules of social etiquette, it would not hazard an opinion for fear of demonstrating how ignorant it is about how gentle folk should demean themselves in this day and generation. This being thus, an apology may be coming for what follows.

Yesterday The Tribune observed four young people—two youths and two maids—in a coupe built for two. The four had sardined into the little car. One of the young fellows was at the wheel and his girl sat between him and the other boy. We say "his girl" because she must have been, for the other maid was sitting smack in the lap of the other male occupant and her arm, if The Tribune is not losing its eyesight (and hardly so for a scene like what was seen), was around his neck. Presumably this made her hold the better. The Tribune couldn't see the arms and hands of the young fellow in whose lap the maiden was nestling, but it is reasonable to presume that he took all necessary precautions against her falling to the floor of the coupe. During all this contiguity and close communion the participants seemed perfectly oblivious of a dozen or so who were wonderingly gazing at the effrontery and brazenness of the participants in the scene.

This little tableaux was enacted on South Ninth street, west side, about half way between the alley and Cherry street. Of course the alley would have been a more appropriate setting for what was transpiring, but this seemed not to occur to the intertwined young folks. Besides, it probably was all entirely proper, according to their standards and code of good manners. We name the exact location because, on account of present day customs, what took place seemed to be entirely according to Hoyle and the latest dictum on etiquette. Other similar scenes have been in progress in other public places in Columbia, and we have no intention of relating what we didn't see.

These young ladies and gentlemen are here obtaining an education in something, perhaps, but their training in what is expected of young ladies and gentlemen is sadly lacking. The action of these young folks was positively indecent. Not very long ago they would have been hauled to the calaboose for indecent behavior. A hair brush for the girl and a board for the boy, both properly applied by a professor who knows his business, would be the most efficacious education for young folks who so flagrantly flout the requirements of common decency.—Columbia Tribune.

Miss Anna Goldie Howell is visiting friends in Illinois.

Martin Laubis of Poplar Bluff was a Friday visitor in this city on business.

J. H. Yount and Marvin McMullin spent the week-end in this city with their families.

Mrs. R. W. Edwards of Tucson, Ariz., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Steve Humphrey and other relatives. Miss Alfreda Denton is an extra at the postoffice and an added attraction at the general delivery window.

Thanks to Mrs. J. N. Sheppard for a bucket of cherries for pies for Saturday's dinner. There's no better kind.

Miss Mildred Reed, who is employed in Springfield, arrived in this city Thursday morning to visit with her parents.

Child & Company, the oldest private bank in England, founded about 1560, is to be absorbed by Glyn, Mills & Company.

Mrs. S. B. Crain and daughter, Mrs. G. C. Carter went to St. Louis Saturday. Mrs. Carter has a position in St. Louis and Mrs. Crain will visit a while.

A college student at Williams College in 1842 wrote this in his diary: "Today we pursued no studies, but rather made merry with a girl school which came in a body for dancing, and frolicking of all sorts. And till late at night we barn danced and polka'd, and such was the attraction that we thought no more of books and learning but contented ourselves with singing and dancing of all sorts. These females are a queer lot, but they are fine after books and Greek authors".

REVIVAL MEETING AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hear Evangelist D. P. Montgomery at the Baptist Church. Every evening during the week at 8 o'clock.

He is one of our greatest Evangelists in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Come to the meeting. Let us help one another.

A Revival of Religion is our greater need.

Let us throw our hearts into this work for Christ.

Christ deserves pre-eminence in all the relations of life.

It cost Moore Greer \$62 to have 60 acres of cotton cleaned out the first time, but after this first good cleaning it will be an easier task after this and not quite so expensive. He reports it looking good and the past few days of hot weather as bringing it out fast.

Pola Negri, the great Polish actress, will be filmed at the Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week and should draw packed houses. She is one of the topnotchers in film. Manager McCutchen pays as long price to give such pictures as "Men" with Pola Negri as principal and we should show our appreciation by attending.

The Standard is told that hundreds of automatic pistols with ammunition have been delivered through the Sikeston postoffice to negroes of this vicinity. Last week six were delivered by one rural mail carrier to negroes on his route. With this condition existing what kind of an offset have the whites got in case a race riot should start? We believe it should be against the law to deliver fire arms and ammunition by mail and believe no sort of firearms should be sold to negroes by local firms. We are led to believe that every cabin has guns and ammunition sufficient to stand a pretty good siege. This is a pretty serious condition if things are as bad as they are told.

DEXTER LOSES TO SIKESTON NINE

Everybody for miles around had been looking forward to the game of baseball between Dexter and Sikeston to be played on the Dexter fields, Sunday, June 8. It looked as tho' they were all present as it was pronounced a record crowd for a ball game in that city. The gate receipts were about \$520, of which Sikeston, the winning team, took 60 per cent.

The Sikeston team were all home boys while Dexter had a first and third baseman out of St. Louis and was disappointed in not securing an air-tight pitcher, so used Hodge, a local boy. The St. Louis players were no more brilliant than their home players and none of them handled Martin of Sikeston for any great gains. Outside of the first inning it was one of the prettiest games ever witnessed by fans in this part of the State. In the first, both pitchers were wild, which coupled by some costly errors on both sides, let Sikeston score 4 times and Dexter made her only runs this time. After this bad inning, both teams played real ball as the score shows Dexter never got another man over home plate, while Martin of Sikeston knocked a long fly to right field that was lost among the cars and he made a home run. Several times it looked as tho' one or the other of the teams would score, but close team-work and fast plays nipped the boys at home plate.

Errors by both teams were about the same and neither of the pitchers were at their best, but just the same it was a game where the tense silence of the big crowd was painful, so interesting were the plays. The pretty part of it all, was the splendid order, the lack of kicks at the umpire and the sportsman-like way in which the Dexter team and the Dexter fans took their defeat.

Next Sunday, June 15 the Chaffee team will play Sikeston here, June 22 Sikeston goes to Caruthersville, June 29 to Malden, July 4 to New

Madrid, and July 6 Dexter expects to play Sikeston in this city. The following is the box score:

Sikeston	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Dudley, ss	4	1	2	4	2	0
Van Arsdale, 2b	4	1	2	1	2	0
Crane, lf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Bowman, c	3	1	1	10	0	0
A. Bloomfield, 1b	4	0	1	6	1	0
Dowdy, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0
D. Bloomfield, 3b	4	0	0	1	1	0
Mow, cf	4	0	2	2	0	0
Martin, p	4	1	2	1	0	1

Total	34	5	11	27	6	2
Dexter	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Uhlen, 2b	4	0	0	6	2	1
Hommontree, cf	3	1	0	2	0	0
H. Norman, ss	4	0	1	0	4	0
McGehee, c	2	1	0	9	1	0
Elmore, 1b	4	0	1	7	0	1
Rose, 3b	3	0	0	4	2	1
Van Camp, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Norman, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Hodge, p	3	0	1	0	0	0

Total31 2 3 27 9 3
Summary: Two base hits, Van Arsdale, Mow, Bowman, Crane and Martin.

Home runs, Martin.
Passed balls Bowman, 2.
Pitching record, base on balls, off Martin, 2; off Hodge, 3.
Struck out by Martin 8, by Hodge 6. Hit by pitcher, by Martin, McGehee (2).
Double plays, Dudley to Van Arsdale to A. Bloomfield, Norman to Uhlen to Elmore.
Umpires—Wilcox and Heisler.
Time: 2 hrs. 10 min.

Miss Addie Dover, James Matthews and Foster Bruton spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins at Vanduser.

W. O. Burnett late of Texas, but now farming one of the Matthews farms near Sikeston, was fined \$1 and costs for smashing a negro in the face, Saturday. The negro had threatened to smack a white boy and Burnett stepped in. Bystanders chipped in and paid the fine and costs.

\$165,000,000 ROAD BILL PASSES HOUSE

Washington, June 5.—A bill authorizing an appropriation of \$165,000,000 for the improvement of roads throughout the United States was passed by the House today.

It provides that the federal government, co-operating with the states, shall expend \$75,000,000 in the fiscal year, 1926, in improving roads and a like amount for the purpose in the fiscal year 1927. The bill also provides for the expenditure of \$7,500,000 a year for the years 1926 and 1927 on forest roads and trails.

Under the good-roads policy adopted in 1916, the federal government improves roads in states that lend financial co-operation. The bill passed today is in furtherance of that policy. It was pointed out in the debate today that the appropriations heretofore made for road building will be exhausted on June 30, 1925 and that if the government is to continue co-operation with the states in making such improvements, the funds proposed must be authorized.

The argument was advanced that the authorization should be made at this time in order that the states might have time to prepare the proper surveys, plans and specifications.

The bill provides that the Secretary of Agriculture shall pro rate the amounts authorized to the several states on January 1 of each year in order that the states may advertise for bids and let contracts previous to the building season, and not be delayed by the indefinite date which now obtains in the passage of the various appropriation bills.

The bill also provides that the Secretary of Agriculture be authorized to rework and recondition explosives transferred to him by the Secretary of War for the improvement of roads under his supervision.

Daugherty Takes The Count

Harry M. Daugherty, who once professed a desire to be heard before the Senate committee investigating the Department of Justice, has changed his mind. He explains that he now has the authority of a court that the investigation is illegal and, therefore, he does not feel it necessary to reply to the testimony which has been heard before it.

This, in common sense, is not to be accepted as the true reason for Daugherty's disavowal. He may not have been afraid to subject himself to cross-examination prior to revelations made by other witnesses. Now there is a multitude of things to be explained, and Daugherty has no stomach for the enterprise. He holds in contempt the persons, his own former employees and associates, who have made damaging admissions before the committee, but would prefer to let their testimony stand rather than take an opportunity to refute it, though his refutation would be printed on the first page of every daily newspaper in the land.

In the refusal of this opportunity Daugherty can hope to hold the credulity of only the most purblind of partisans and the few people who never read a newspaper. Unrefuted the volume of evidence showing how the Department of Justice under him was operated in collusion with the underworld and was honeycombed with graft is overwhelming. Daugherty's explanation is an evasion; his silence regarding the evidence a confession. When it came to the issue, Daugherty, like Fall, refused to incriminate himself. The "scandal-mongering" investigations of the Harding Cabinet have been 100 per cent vindicated.—PostDispatch.

A. J. Moore, who is a student at the Illinois University, is home on his vacation.

Mrs. Mollie Long, who has been quite ill from asthma for the past three weeks, is improving slowly.

Dr. O. E. Kendall and wife, who have been attending the Confederate Veteran Reunion at Memphis, Tenn., returned home Friday.

The editor, son Ben, granddaughters, Rosemary and Patricia Blanton, Gordon and Emily Blanton, Laura Jo Smith, Louis Ellen Tanner and Jap Wilson took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins near Vanduser, Friday.

A. D. Dailey, son of S. M. Dailey of Vanduser, spent a few days last week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dailey at their home. The young man is a graduate of the Manhattan, Kansas, School of Journalism and after a visit with relatives in Indiana, will seek a field for his profession. The Standard acknowledges a call.

DEMOCRATS EAGER TO MAKE TAXATION ISSUE

Washington, June 5.—If President Coolidge intends to make taxes an issue he will not find the Democrats loath, as was indicated today by the lengthy and emphatic statement issued by Senator Simmon (Democrat, North Carolina) in answer to the president's adverse commentaries upon the new revenue law.

"The president and Mr. Mellon evidently die hard" began the Simmon rejoinder. "It was to be expected after their strenuous efforts in behalf of the Mellon plan that they would be somewhat resentful, not to say humiliated, at its emphatic repudiation by the representatives of the people in both branches of Congress."

"But it was not to be expected that the president would make the signing of the bill an occasion for a quasi-political speech and an ill-disguised attempt to justify this discredited Mellon scheme by an indirect assault upon the Congress."

"The president's statement advances no new arguments or facts; it is merely an adroit and clever recapitulation of the overworked propaganda in favor of the Mellon plan. By many it will be regarded as a somewhat painful exhibition of disappointment and chagrin and by others as a shrewd political move to play both ends against the middle."

"Surely if the president and the Republican party wish to make the Mellon plan as against the Democratic plan written in the new law, an issue in the approaching campaign, they may rest assured that the issues will be heartily welcomed by the Democratic party."

Senator Simmons, being the minority mentor on taxes nad tariffs, his statement was more a party than personal expression. He reviewed the president's objections and added:

"Divest the arguments and contentions of the president and Mr. Mellon of this boggy of investment in tax-free securities and their whole case against a higher surtax rate falls to the ground."

Senator Simmons estimated that, based on 1922 returns, "5400 individuals would pay more taxes under the Democratic plan than under the Mellon plan, but because of the lower rates of the Democratic plan upon incomes below \$67,000 over 6,500,000 would pay less tax than under the Mellon plan."

"The record shows that of the total net income returned from business for the year 1921, amounting to \$2,366,318,000, only \$47,000,000 of this was returned by individuals whose incomes were in excess of \$70,000. Taking these several statements of facts together, it must, therefore, be apparent that the Democratic plan, because of its lower rates on incomes below \$67,000, would result in releasing much more money for investment in productive enterprises than would result from the Mellon plan."

"The argument for the Democratic plan is not based upon assumptions and conjectures, but upon facts disclosed in the rates of the two plans and in the data in the treasury department."

Joe Haw, of Benton, spent a few hours in Sikeston Friday.

Miss Frances Baker is visiting her mother and grandmother, who are in St. Luke's Hospital, at St. Louis.

Mrs. J. F. Cox and Mrs. M. A. Arterburn have gathered nearly 1000 gallons of cherries from their trees this season. Forty cents per gallon was the selling price.

Mrs. Charles Anderson, 33, of Grayridge, died at a Poplar Bluff hospital Thursday from injuries suffered in the tornado which swept this region May 23 last. Her 1-year-old child is in a serious condition from injuries suffered at that time.

The fire truck was called to the home of Mrs. Tywatter in the northwest part of town Thursday afternoon about 3:00. The roof was damaged and other minor damages were made. The insurance on the house had only expired a few days before and had not yet been renewed. The cause of the fire is not known, it being first noticed on the roof of the porch on the northeast side.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whitener of Miami, Okla., who had spent the past three or four weeks here, guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Chas. Bryan, having been detained on account of Mrs. Whitener's illness left Tuesday for Sikeston. (Mrs. Whitener expects to remain at Sikeston for a visit of some time with relatives. Mr. Whitener will go on to Bowling Green, Ky., where he and his wife are locating. —Desloge Sun.

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Many of our customers never would wear a Salor before they tried one of these cushion-band styles—the old stiff band made their head ache.

We call these the no-headache—and we mean it.

*Price so reasonable you
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of MatthewsA cotton stalk in the window of
the Sikeston Seed Co. is in bloom and
is attracting some attention. It will
be a long time before any bloom will
be seen in the fields.Very few papers of either political
faith that reach The Standard office
carry canned political dope. The
Bloomfield Tribune never fails to
carry all that is sent in. Being post-
master makes a difference, though.The weather permitting, the
Fourth of July Whiz Bang at Sike-
ston this year will surpass that of last
year. All preparations are going
forward to that end and all commit-
tees appointed are perfecting their
part of the program. If you have
no program in your home town or
neighborhood, come to Sikeston and
enjoy yourself.The terrible crime committed by
the Jewish youths, Leopold and Loeb,
in Chicago and the attempted as-
sassination of Senator Kenney in St.
Louis by a crazy Turk, should be a
warning to the public to be on the
lookout for the idle rich and the crazy
foreigners. Insanity will be the
plea to save all three of their worth-
less necks.If we were writing the Democratic
platform at New York, we would say
nothing about prohibition or the Vol-
stead Act for the reason that the
Eighteenth Amendment is on the
statute books to remain forever and
needs no defense. The temperance
cranks of the United States who are
straddling around over the country—
for pay—are the agitators and the
sooner they are snubbed, the sooner
the agitation against prohibition will
subside. Elect honest men to office
and respect the law yourself and all
will be well.We understand that in Detroit, "the
home of the auto", they take the li-
cense plates off a car when the per-
son driving it has been arrested the
second time for speeding, reckless
driving or driving while intoxicated.
And, of course, since the car can't be
driven without tags, he is simply kept
off of the seat of one until he is rein-
stated. It's not a bad idea, either.
If the average Caruthersville auto
owner knew that he either had to
drive sensibly and carefully or lose
the right to drive, he'd never forget
himself, and he'd seldom be injured
or injure other people. There is a
certain temptation to "give her the
gas" when a pretty stretch of road
looms into view. But the possibility
of forfeiting the right to drive and of
having a car on his hands that could
not be taken out of the garage would
do away with even this temptation.
The country is getting so full of au-
tos that something will have to be
done to protect those who drive them
and those who walk. And we fully
expect to see the time come when
there will be a law whereby a man
will lose his car if he doesn't drive it
sensibly.—Caruthersville Democrat.

The Record Of 1920-1924

The Post-Dispatch reprints today
on another page an editorial review
by the New York World of the Re-
publican administration from the in-
ception of the presidential campaign
of 1920 to the present. The review
is devoted to the evidence of corrup-
tion which has been brought out by
the various investigations.In the review the World rejects
gossip and rumor. It does not touch
petty charges or underling offenders.
It ignores Roxie Stinson and other
associates of former Attorney-Gen-
eral Daugherty. It does not quote the
utterances of Democratic opponents.
"Every charge", the World says,
"rests either on an indictment, on
evidence reported by Republicans in
good standing, or on a confession un-
der oath which has not been challeng-
ed by the accused".The administration is accused of
dishonesty in the betrayal of the dis-
abled veterans by Forbes, in the loot-
ing of public property by Fall, in the
corruption of the Department of
Justice by Daugherty. It is accused
of shielding dishonesty, of obstruct-
ing investigation, resisting exposure
and lending aid to dishonest men. It
is accused of permitting its agents
to terrorize public officials pursuing
public wrong-doing. The respectable
members of the administration are
charged with slackness in preventing
wrong, with timidity and partisan-
ship in failing to assist exposure, in
failing to condemn publicly and un-
equivocally the dishonesty that has
been exposed—in short, with lacking
that high standard of public duty,
courage and vigilance in preventing
dishonesty in the past and in setting
an example of courage and vigilance
which would go far towards prevent-
ing it in the future.The World traces the beginning of
the corruption from the beginning of
the presidential campaign; in the
huge sums expended in the presiden-
tial primary and the greater sums ex-
pended in the election. The total Re-
publican expenditures reported by the
Kenyon committee amounted to \$8,-
100,739, as compared with the Demo-
cratic expenditure of \$2,237,770.It touches upon the case of New-
berry as proof of Republican com-
placency towards corrupt practices in
elections.It reviews the organization of the
"inner circle" designed to control the
places vital to corrupt dealings such
as the Department of Justice with
Daugherty at the head.It recites turning over of the Vet-
erans' Bureau, with its large field of
expenditures, to the unspeakable
Forbes; the appointment of Fall, the
transferring of the naval will reserve
from the Navy Department to the
Department of the Interior; the at-
tempt to organize the spoils branch
of the Department of the Treasury,
through Dover, who was made As-
sistant Secretary of the Treasury.The records of Fall, Forbes and
Daugherty are thoroughly reviewed,
proving dishonesty and corruption be-
yond question. Daugherty's guilt is
emphasized by the refusal of himself
and his brother, Mel Daugherty, after
repeated urgent requests to be
given the privilege of a hearing, to
appear before the Brookhart investi-
gating committee; and the refusal
of Mel Daugherty to permit the
books of his bank to be examined.The World then reviews the atti-
tude of the "best minds" of the ad-
ministration in pleading ignorance of
what had been done, in failing to
speak out or act in and in some cases
attempting to belittle the significance
of the exposure and to brand the men
engaged in the investigations with
scandal mongering and with using
the power of the investigation they
were conducting for base ends.It concludes that the administra-
tion which came into power on March
4, 1921, "was inspired by so low a
standard of public service, involving
such easy-going tolerance of graft
and waste, that it has produced the
most extraordinary record of dishon-
esty known in this generation".The review presents with restraint
an appalling record of wrongdoing in
high places, and complaisant toler-
ance of wrongdoing by officials in the
highest places. It presents the situa-
tion in Washington clearly and con-
vincingly. It foreshadows the issue
in the next campaign with which all
Americans should be thoroughly fa-
miliar, so that their votes may be
cast intelligently, to the end that cor-
ruption may be rooted out of the Fed-
eral Government.—Post-Dispatch.The three firms that are doing the
greatest amount of advertising in
Dexter just now are the Southwest-
ern Bell Telephone Company, the
Standard Oil Company and Henry
Ford, and yet many of our merchants
tell us that their business is so well
established that they don't need to
advertise! Funny isn't it? If there
are firms in the country that are well
known certainly it is the three men-
tioned and yet they persist in throw-
ing their money away on country
newspapers.—Dexter Messenger.

The Cause of Southern Confederacy

The veterans of the Confederate
Army and Navy will hold their grand
reunion in the city of Memphis dur-
ing the present week.Not many veterans will be present
when compared to the number of sol-
diers and sailors who followed the
flag of the Confederacy from '61 to
'65. But a goodly number will be
here.It is a little more than 59 years
since the guns of the Confederacy be-
came silent forever.Only those who went into the army
very young in '61 and those who en-
tered in the later years of the war
survive.The former president of this com-
pany, W. J. Crawford, who enlisted
in '61 passed away last fall. Luke
E. Wright and W. B. Mallory, Con-
federates, who were officers of the
Commercial Publishing Company,had already gone to the other shore.
June 6th, will be one of the Re-
union days in Memphis. On June 6,
sixty-two years ago, there was a na-
val battle in front of Memphis. On
that day the flag of the federals was
broken out from the top of the City
Hall. The city remained, thereafter,
under the control of the federal army
except for a day in '64 when Forrest
troopers stamped the Union Army
and held Memphis for more than
three hours.On the day previous to the capture
of Memphis, The Appeal retired to
Grenada, Miss. The Appeal did not
return until after the surrender. The
Appeal was printed behind the Con-
federate lines. By the way, we
think The Memphis Appeal was the
best paper ever printed in Atlanta or
Montgomery.Life is short. Four hundred and
twenty-one general officers held com-
missions in the Confederate Army.
Only one of them is living. Eight
full generals are dead. Kirby Smith
was the last of this group to go.There were 17 lieutenant generals.
The last of these to pass away was
Buckner.There were 75 major generals. We
believe that Stephen D. Lee was the
last to die.There were 321 brigadiers. Only
McCausland survives. His home is in
West Virginia. Wright, Adam John-
son and Smith died within the last
two years.There are no flag officers of the
Confederate navy living. They died
earlier than the soldiers because the
high officers of the navy were older
men than men of equal rank in the
army.The Civil War engendered less
permanent hate than any other civil
war or domestic rebellion history
chronicles. This statement may sur-
prise some of those whose took part
in it. The bitterness died down with-
in a generation. Much of the hatred
did not result from the war but from
the slavery question.After the war there were outrages
and oppressions, but at the same time
there were many men on both sides
who realized that they were citizens
of a common country. Maybe the
bitterness died out also because the
mental poise of thinkers on both
sides was about the same. Their
point of observance was different.There were no massacres and general
executions after the Civil War.
The civil wars in England were al-
ways followed by beheadings and
confiscation of property, exile and
other forms of punishment.When claimants to the throne
fought for supremacy the victorious
followers usually killed the leaders
of the defeated party.When Cromwell beat the forces of
Charles the headmen had plenty of
work to do and when Charles II came
back to the throne he exercised a
long memory and made it difficult
for many who had followed the cause of
the commonwealth.The aftermath of the civil wars in
France was marked by blood. The
French Revolution was followed by
a saturnalia of killing. Even in
modern times England has more than
once put rebellious subjects to death.
The leader of the Confederacy was
held a prisoner. He was finally re-
leased. There was no public opin-
ion that could find a law upon which
he could be convicted.Admiral Semmes was in danger of
his life for a time, but even his foes
admired his spirit and he was finally
permitted to go his way in peace.General Lee, matchless leader of
the Confederacy, without hindrance,
became a schoolmaster. Some of the
general officers, governing their ac-
tions by their knowledge of history,
left the country, but after a time
they returned and they were not mol-
ested.Within a few years the Confed-
erate soldiers were filling high offices.
Many of them were in the lower
House of Congress and many others
were in the Senate. They served the
united country with distinguished
ability and still later some of them
went into the cabinet. Garland, La-
mar and Herbert were conspicuous inthe cabinet of Grover Cleveland, and
later on, Lamar went to the supreme
bench.Senator White of Louisiana was
appointed justice of the supreme
court. So pleased were his fellow
senators that the Republican mem-
bers moved that his nomination be
confirmed instantly. Later on this
distinguished jurist was appointed by
a Republican president to the office
of chief justice of the Supreme Court
of the United States.This thing is not only a tribute to
the ability of the Confederate sol-
diers, but it is also a fine example of
the fundamental fairness of the
American people.One reason for a resumption of a
better understanding was the cause
of the war itself. There were open
questions before the Civil War. One
group of men held that under certain
conditions states might withdraw
from the Union. Another group held
that the Union was an indivisible uni-
ty. Indeed, it was taught at West
Point when Lee and men of his gen-
eration were students there that,
under certain conditions, there might
be a withdrawal from the compact
on the part of a state or states.In those early days there was little
bitterness in the difference of opin-
ion. This question and other ques-
tions were open in '60. They were
settled in '65. The victory of the
federals made the decision.So Confederate soldiers and Feder-
ate soldiers when they started to re-
cuperate knew that this question was
behind them. The broader minds on
both sides knew that their job was to
build up the fortunes of the common
country and to make an America,
which in the coming generation
would be a great power in the fam-
ily of nations, a leader among the
righteous and a terror to evil doers.The military history of the Civil
War is most interesting. The war
of the great charge, of the army with
banners, was gradually changed into
a war of attrition and force, and pre-
ponderance of force.Lee was both a great tactician and
a great strategist. He dazzled his
followers and created for himself a
wild enthusiasm.Grant measured men as units of
weight. He sought a preponderance
of men and guns and, having secur-
ed these, he set about to make this
preponderance felt.In '61 and '62 armies swept back
and forth across fields of battle. In
'64 here and there trench warfare be-
came the order of the day.The Civil War was the beginning
of the breech loader, the rapid fire
gun and the explosive mine.At sea the revolution in warfare
was complete. We passed from wood
to iron. Even then some brave spir-
its attempted to fight in submarines
under water. They were drowned.In this same Civil War the field tel-
egraph was brought into play and
there was a suggestion of the bal-
loon. The inventors on both sides
were enterprising.The remarkable thing about the
Confederacy was its tenacity. By all
the rules of the game the Confed-
erates were beaten July 4, 1863. On
that day Vicksburg surrendered and
Lee's army was withdrawing from
the Gettysburg slopes. On that day
the Mississippi River was opened, or
practically opened, from St. Louis to
the Gulf. The Confederacy was cut
into two parts.In less than three months Bragg
was driving north towards Chatta-
nooga. In September Rosecrans' army,
fighting on the defensive, was
beaten at Chickamauga and given
into the Chattanooga defense.

And that same fall Lee stood at

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Black-Draught.day in Virginia and Meade did not
follow up. In the shank of the fall
Grant finally got into Chattanooga
and beat Bragg at Missionary Ridge.In the spring of '64 the federals in
their own minds, had no certainty of
victory. Johnson held the terrain in
North Georgia. Grant had gone east
to take the place of McClellan, Pope,
Burnside, Hooker and Meade whom
Lee had broken.So in the spring Sherman started
to Atlanta and Grant started to
Richmond. Grant made no progress
during the summer. He changed his
base and attempted to strike Rich-
mond from the east flank. Then we
had the Petersburg campaign. There
we had trench warfare.Sherman got to Atlanta late in
the summer, but Hood struck out
north. Grant made little material
progress against Lee except to wear
him down.In the fall we found the Confed-
erate army pouring into Middle Ten-
nessee and headed for the Ohio River
In the west Forrest was making
trouble.In the east was found the Confed-
erate force in the suburbs of Washing-
ton. A presidential election was on.
Many people in the north were de-
nouncing the war as a failure. Sher-
man's capture of Atlanta gave them
hope and Sheridan's flashy fight en-
couraged the easterners.Wounded to the death, the Confed-
eracy in the autumn of '64 was a
menacing force, as dangerous as a
bleeding lion. The Confederates beat
Scotfield at Franklin and rushed to-
wards Nashville. Just before Christ-
mas Thomas was about to be renew-
ed because he did not fight Hood.People along the Ohio River
thought that Hood would be in Louis-
ville by the first of January. The
great western smash came at Nash-
ville. Sherman had reached the
sea, but Grant had not broken the
Confederate lines around Richmond.Even so, with Sherman's army
marching north, with Hood's magni-
ficent soldiers withdrawing into
North Alabama the Confederate sol-
diers fought on until spring. During
this winter in the jaws of certain de-
feat these brave men stood firm,
fought, and bled and died. There was
no hope of victory in their great
hearts. They were knightly and they
were brave until the end.The survivors of this magnificent
army are gathering in Memphis this
coming week. Their valor and their
fortitude come down to us as theglory of America united. All honor
to the living, toll for the brave who
died.—Commercial Appeal.A man, accompanied by his wife
and ten children, walked into a store
and said to the clerk: "I want to get
the whole lot of 'em fitted up in
shoes." After two hours of hard
work, the clerk succeeded in getting
each one fitted, and was beginning to
make out the bill. "Oh, don't bother
about that," said the man, "I don't
want to buy the shoes. I just want-
ed to get the sizes, so's I can order
'em by mail".—New Madrid Record.Norway in celebrating the 900th
anniversary of the coming of Christi-
anity to that country.The first bathtub in America was
exhibited by Adam Thompson at Cin-
cinnati in 1842. It was supplied with
water from a tank in the attic and
was strongly denounced as injurious
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CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

A fine baby girl weighing 11 lbs., was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy last week. Dr. Elders says it's one of the best babies he has ever seen.

The former Miss Iva Barnett surprised her many friends when she announced that she and Robert Church were married at Benton two years ago. No one had the least suspicion of the wedding. She resigned her position at the Bank of Morehouse, Saturday. She left Sunday for Cape Girardeau, where the couple will make their home.

Mrs. F. A. Elders was in Sikeston, Saturday, shopping.

A 10-pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Varvel, June 5. Mr. Varvel is wearing a smile from ear to ear.

James O. Shubert ran a nail thru his foot about two weeks ago while repairing some of the damage of the tornado. The wound became infected developing a slightcase of blood poisoning. Jimmie is now hobbling about. He says he is going to be at his cotton fields Monday and see that they are cleaned out.

The Superior Garage report the sale of an Essex coach to L. C. Smith of Grays Ridge.

Miss Gretchen Dunaway attended a bridge party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Anthony in Sikeston, Friday.

Norman Davis, road contractor, is putting the finishing touches to the trail 16, west of Morehouse, which he expects to turn over to the State next week.

Mrs. Ina May Rogers, Mrs. I. Jones and Miss Iva Tyson visited with friends in Cape Girardeau during the past week.

Mr. Leming has bought a new Willys-Knight Sedan.

Mrs. J. W. Sarff and sons, Jefferson, Chester and Warren, have gone to Galveston, Texas for a month's visit with Mrs. Sarff's sister.

The Boy Scout Troup of Morehouse under the leadership of Scout Master W. D. Lowe, will go south on an extended camping trip this week. Practically all the members have signed up to make the trip which will occupy a week's time. They expect to touch the Arkansas line on their wanderings.

Rev. Duckworth, Sunday School Extension Chief for the St. Louis Conference, with headquarters at Cape Girardeau, was a visitor in Morehouse on Sunday, and delivered the morning sermon at the M. E. Church.

Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Teal motored to Cairo on Sunday, stopping on their way back at the farm home of Thad Snow, who lives a short distance east of Charleston. Mr. Snow, widely known throughout Southeast Missouri for his active and aggressive interest in Farm Organization work, and his ability to raise alfalfa, admitted upon interrogation, that he had about 325 acres of cotton planted besides 100 acres of alfalfa, and considerable corn, wheat and clover. Upon one field of alfalfa which was examined, a partial cutting showed that at least 1½ tons of fine hay per acre will be secured from the first cutting. At least three more cuttings will be secured.

The Bridge Club will meet Friday with Mrs. Joe Stubbs.

The Frisco excursion train from Caruthersville and way stations to St. Louis and return Sunday, was a big success in the way of passengers carried. The train consisted of 19 coaches and from Sikeston 115 tickets were sold. The passengers got into Sikeston at 6:00 o'clock Monday morning, tired but satisfied.

LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons, were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Heath of Sikeston visited in Matthews Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and daughter Miss Lillith, motored to Sikeston and Tanner Switch Monday, on business.

Howard Steele went to St. Louis Thursday, on business.

Relatives from Marston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Latimer last week.

Mrs. Lon Sparks and Mrs. Ethel Sparks and little daughter of Sikeston were guests of their sister, Mrs. Dave Morgan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Biggens and children of Cape Girardeau visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son were all-day guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter, Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons motored to Portageville Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moss.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickerman and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sutton of Crowe District were Matthews visitors Saturday.

G. D. Steele went to St. Louis Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane and son, motored to Cape Girardeau, Friday. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Mrs. Willa Alsop and Miss Alice Deme, who are attending school at that place.

Geo. Randolph of Pt. Pleasant was in Matthews Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children motored to East Prairie Sunday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Roe Hill and daughter, Mrs. C. Critchlow went on the excursion to St. Louis, Sunday.

G. F. Deane had business in New Madrid, Friday.

We are very sorry to report that Mrs. Frank Ratcliff, who has been ill the past few months, is very little improved. We feel sure that if she would only go to some springs and remain a few months, she would be very much improved.

J. A. Alsop went to St. Louis on the excursion, Sunday.

Mrs. James Lancaster was a Sikeston visitor, Saturday.

Albert Deane has purchased a new Sedan.

G. F. Deane has been in Gideon the past few days on business.

Mrs. Leon Swartz, who is attending school in Cape Girardeau, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Steele and little daughter of New Madrid spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Steele.

Mrs. James Toghlin of Canolou visited the latter's mother, Mrs. G. Elderbrook Sunday.

The past few days of pretty weather and sunshine have certainly improved the crops around in this vicinity. Cotton is certainly growing and looking fine in some of the fields. We feel sure that if the pretty weather continues, the farmer will be able to make a little. We know that their feelings are improved by the few days good weather, because the crops have boomed the past few days.

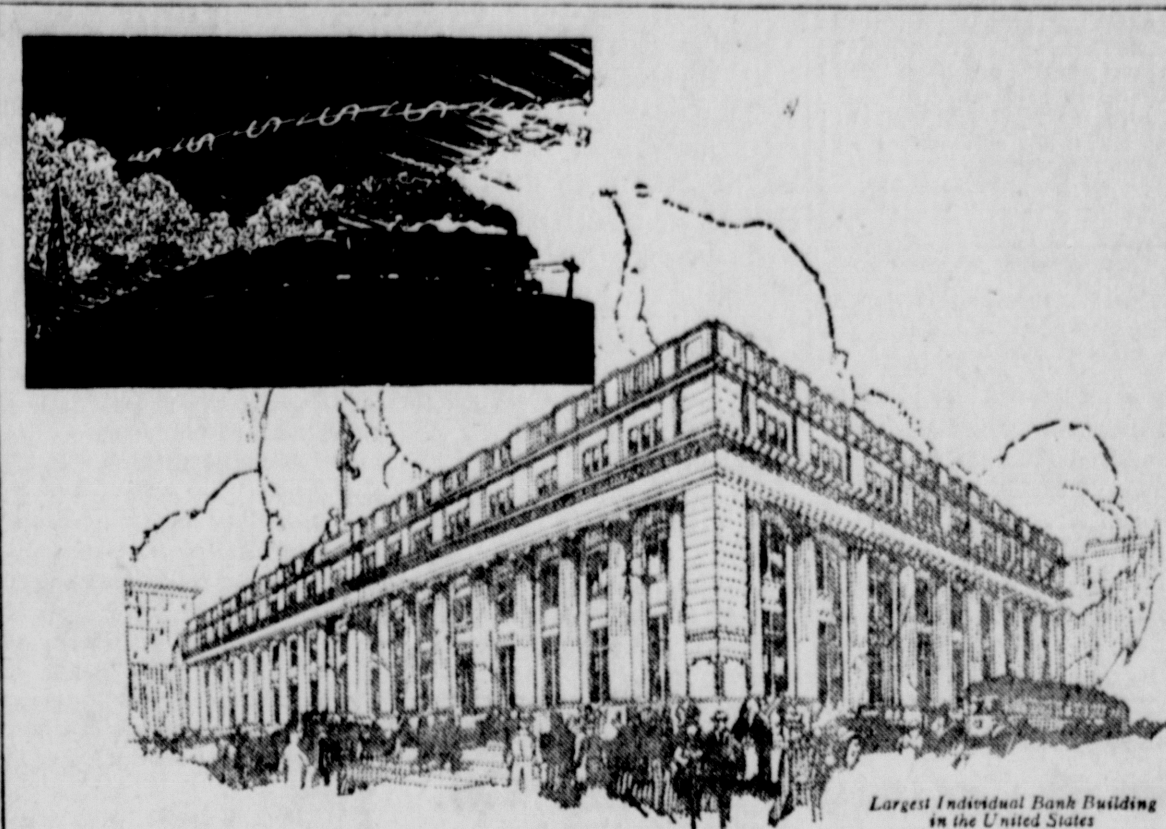
Mr. and Mrs. Nolen Henderschott and babe returned from New Madrid where they have been visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Thos. Holderby.

A. Ray Smith is in St. Louis on business.

J. P. Johnson of Chaffee motored to Sikeston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rose of McGee, Ark., are enjoying a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rose, of the Cole Furniture Co., parents of Mr. Rose. Mr. and Mrs. Rose were recently married at McDumont, Ark., home of the bride. She was formerly Miss Christine Kennedy. Mr. Rose is engaged in the wholesale grocery business. Sikeston people who have met this young couple, trust that they will visit Mother and Father Rose often.

The Republican National Convention meets in Cleveland, Ohio, this morning to ratify the cut and dried program of Coolidge for President. The tail-end of the kite means little to the voter as he has no say in affairs of State. It is hard for a Democrat to see just where this Republican Convention can point with pride at anything as their administration has been about the most corrupt of any in the history of the Nation. The farmer, the foundation of the Nation, is ground to the bone with taxes and high tariff and not one single thing has been done to help him in his troubles. The voters should bear in mind their treatment by Big Business and Tariff Protected Barons and swear every man that voted to rob the treasury for gifts not earned.



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Harold Lindley and Max Harper returned Sunday from Robinson.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society will meet this week with Mrs. Ben Welter.

Milton Haas returned from Kansas City, where he has been attending the Shriner Convention.

H. C. Halley of the State Highway Department, Jefferson City, arrived in this city Friday morning. Mr. Halley is here for a few days on business.

Miss Myra Tanner left Monday for El Paso, Texas to visit a few days. She will then visit in different parts of California and attend summer school at Berkeley, Calif.

Joe Matthews visited one of the farms near Aniston of Scott Alexander, and reports a perfect stand of cotton that was planted the first half of April. This farm was protected by woods pastures from the high winds. From six to eight leaves are on this cotton which looks very promising.

Mrs. R. A. Moll and children, of Tamm, Ill., came over Saturday to spend the week-end with Mrs. Moll's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard. Mr. Moll and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver and children motored over Sunday to accompany Mrs. Moll home. Little Miss Lavinia Moll remained in Sikeston for an extended visit with her grandparents.

The guests and friends of Skillman's went on a picnic Sunday over by Dexter.

Miss Pauline Moore of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. C. D. Matthews and Miss Virginia Matthews left Sunday for Alton, Ill., where they will attend the graduation exercises of Western Military Academy.

Alfred Tanner and Herman Klueber of Colton, Calif., left Sikeston on Monday for Arlington, Ky., where they will spend a few days. From Arlington they will go up in Michigan, where they will attend summer school.

What America needs more than railway extension, western irrigation, a low tariff, a bigger wheat crop, a merchant marine and a new navy is a revival of piety, the kind father and mother used to have—piety that counted its good business to stop for daily family prayer before breakfast, right in the middle of harvest; that quit field work a half hour early Wednesday nights so as to get the chores done and go to prayer meeting. That's just what we need now to clean this country of filth, of graft and of greed, petty and big, of worship of fine homes and big lands and high office and social functions.—Wall Street Journal, N. Y.

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Miss Anita Winchester left Sunday for Arlington, Ky., to spend a few days with Miss Dorothy Lillard.

Mrs. Row Edgerton and Misses Georgia Miller and Mary Belle Shepard of Caruthersville are guests of J. Ed Green and family.

J. H. Crumley, geologist, of Fort Worth, Texas, brother of the late Mrs. H. C. Pratt, visited the latter part of the week with his nieces, Mesdames W. S. Smith and C. S. Tanner. He specializes in oil fields.

THREE DENMAN CHILDREN
RECEIVE BROKEN ARMS

Monday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman and three little sons were returning from Benton, his Ford sedan turned over, just outside of Morley. The three little boys each received a broken arm and Mr. and Mrs. Denman were considerably bruised.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hazel of Vanduser and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jones of Morehouse were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Latham and children went to Dexter Saturday afternoon. Mr. Latham returned Sunday afternoon, while Mrs. Latham and children remained for a longer visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kinney.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL
FROM NEW MADRID

Mrs. Maggie Totty of Skeston visited her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Park, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mahar in this city, a few hours last Thursday.

Mrs. H. D. Russell of Chicago arrived Thursday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. V. Jones of this city.

Mrs. Geo. Ferguson was called to Osceola, Ark., last Saturday by the illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seoby and family accompanied by Mrs. Ed Bishop of Marston stopped over in New Madrid Saturday a few hours en route to their home from Skeston.

Mrs. Mary de Gruchy of Montreal, Canada was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hunter last week.

Joe McGrate of Portageville was a business visitor in New Madrid, Friday.

Mrs. Samuel Hunter, Jr., left Sunday for St. Louis to be present at the graduation of her daughter, Miss Evelyn Hunter, Thursday, June 12, at Visitation Academy.

Mrs. Betty Householder closed her school at Ristine Friday, June 6th. Quite a surprise was given her in the afternoon by the patrons of the school, who gathered there and enjoyed the time with the pupils and teacher, serving ice cream and cakes. This last year was Mrs. Householder's fifth year of teaching at Ristine, declining to teach another year.

Mrs. Oscar Wilkinson and three children left Sunday for Marston, accompanied by the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith, where they will spend a few days visiting the family of D. C. Kimes, before returning to their home in Blytheville, Ark.

Attys. M. E. Montgomery and M. G. Gresham of Skeston attended Circuit Court in New Madrid Saturday afternoon.

C. T. Jarvis, stenographer for Judge E. M. Deering of the 21st district, of De Soto, has been the Court stenographer the past week or two, in the absence of Louie Shult, who has been indisposed at his home in Caruthersville.

Mrs. Samuel Hunter left last week for a trip to Boston, Mass.

Oscar Fuller and Atty. O. A. Cook of Portageville attended Circuit Court in New Madrid, Friday.

Arthur Johnson of La Forge procured license Saturday afternoon at the Recorder's office in this city to marry Miss Opal D. Jones of Lilbourn. The marriage to take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jones.

Forty-six cities of the United States show one hundred per cent boost in rentals during the last ten years.

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Joseph Burger to Peter Welter, lots 3, 4 block 3 Ellis-Greer & James 1st addition Ancell, \$1.

Fred Bandy to J. V. Bandy, lots 5 to 7 block 1 2Chaffee, \$1.

H. A. DeLay to J. F. Crader, lot 10 block 3 C. & A. J. Matthews 2nd add. Oran, \$150.

J. H. Yount to Peoples Bank of Skeston, 301.3 acres 29-27-13, \$16,083.33.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to George Davenport, lot 4 block 4 Sunset addition Skeston, \$135.

Mrs. Kate Kern, Victoria Corvick, August Kern and Leo Kern to John Glasser, 1.87 acres part lot 2 block 9 Kelso, \$233.75.

M. G. Gresham to G. H. White-side, lot 1 block 9 Skeston, \$1.

Wm. Black to Joseph Miller, lot 9 block 5 Vanduser, \$600.

J. W. Smith to J. H. Boardman, lot 20 and 21 block 7 Illinois, \$2500.

Joseph Hahn to Celestine Hahn, 55.476 acres 19-9-14, \$1.

T. A. Stehlin to Ruby White, lot 1 block 4 McCoy-Tanner 1st addition, Skeston, \$1.

E. J. Neinstedt to K. J. O'Neal, lot 3 block 11 Blodgett, \$1.

W. S. Way to Kate Greer, lots 5 and 6 block 2 Applegate 2nd addition Skeston, \$600.

W. S. Way to Katie Greer, lots 5 to 7 Edmondson addition Skeston, \$150.

C. T. Morris to A. L. Swaim, lots 1 to 3 block 9 McCoy-Tanner 2nd addition Skeston, \$610.

H. A. Osma to C. C. Edwards, lot 4 block 10 Chaffee, \$250.—Benton Democrat.

NEW MADRID COUNTY
REAL ESTATE SALES

Mamye I. Lance and husband to Phillip Windeknecht and wife: Lots 3, 4 and 5, Matthews 3rd add. to Matthews \$1.00 and exchange of property.

Dora E. Tonerlin and husband to Bank of Malden: Tract of land in sec. 2 and town 22, range 10, \$14,000.

L. B. Craven and wife to Lucille Dodge: Lot 39 R "B" Lilbourn, \$700.

Alphonse De Lisle et al to Geo. P. Hobbs. Lots 1316 blk. 18 Portageville \$2000.

Chas. H. Lemon and wife to Alpha L. Passmore, 120 acres sec. 8-24-13. \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

Chas. H. Lemon and wife to Alpha L. Passmore: 19.09 acres sec. 3-24-13. \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

Mrs. Louise McGee Rotty et al to Mrs. Lillie McGee. W 1/2 of sec. 12-23-13 lying N of Ash Slough ditch excepting therefrom 12.59 acres. \$1 and other valuable consideration.

George Arnold of Benton spent Saturday in Skeston.

J. W. Black and family returned from Indiana, Sunday.

Joe Haw is spending a few days in this city with Martin Carroll.

Light travels 186,000 miles per second and radio waves 165,000 miles per second.

Louis Emory Baker, who is a student of Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill., is home for his vacation.

The shingle bob, the high-and-round, the Gloria Swanson and all the other bobs that girls adopt nowadays, may be la mode, but they're the inevitable forerunner of boils, carbuncles and other growths which formerly made their exclusive habitation on male necks, according to Dr. James Stewart, director of hygiene in the St. Louis public schools. "Men have carbuncles and boils because their necks are irritated by the barber's clippers and razor, or by the rubbing of clothing on the short hair", Dr. Stewart said, "and with the advent of bobbed hair, the growths have begun to invade the feminine neck and will continue to appear so long as short hair is the style".

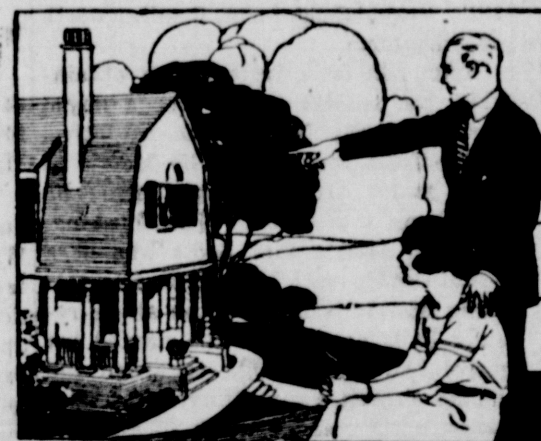
S. Glenn Young, Ku Klux kleagle and dry leader, after he withstood the murderous fire of the Herrin gangsters on the Atlantic-Pacific trail in the southwest corner of this county last Friday afternoon, was sent to a Catholic hospital by a Jew, where the nurses are Catholic sisters. One of the doctors who administered to his sufferings was a Catholic and the son of a saloonkeeper, and both doctors are anti-klan and wet men. There was no record of a Senegambian participating in the relief work, but a five-gallon jug with four gallons of musty wine of pre-Volstead vintage was found in the tonneau of the Lincoln sedan driven by the self-styled enforcement officer. It is said that he was exceeding the speed limit, transporting liquor and carrying an excess of arms and ammunition, all in violation of law.—The Carleyle (Ill.) Constitution.



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Arnold J. Carroll, of the Blodgett vicinity, has announced in The Standard for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

He was born and raised in Scott County, 7 miles north of Skeston, received his education in the Skeston schools at the Cape Normal, was deputy assessor for three years under Bob Canon and is eminently fitted for the position. He is 34 years of age and a pleasing personality to meet.

The centenary of the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway, the first public railway in Scotland, is due this year. The railway was authorized in 1824, opened in 1826, and amalgamated with the North British Railway in 1865.

A delegation representing the Chinese Association of Tokio recently called on Foreign Minister Matsui and presented a memorial protesting against Japanese exclusion of Chinese, declaring that the Chinese expect the same consideration from Japan as the same consideration from Japan is seeking from the United States.

It is said that fifty per cent of the Hungarian national wealth is in the hands of the Jews.

Rudyard Kipling is living the quiet life of a farmer in Sussex. His farmer neighbors discount his literary activities, but give him full credit for his knowledge of farming.

Scores of persons were overcome by automobile exhaust fumes in the twin Liberty tunnels at Pittsburgh recently when traffic was tied up and hundreds of cars with engines running were stopped. Airshafts proved insufficient, and more than twenty persons were sent to hospitals.

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Located on East Malone, a half block east of Kingshighway, is the Parish Motor Company's large garage, one of the largest establishments of its kind in Sikeston. The building is 56x130 feet, with storage capacity for more than fifty cars, and the excellent patronage this place has, keeps its storage capacity well filled up at all times, day and night. L. T. Parish, the owner and manager of this large establishment has been in the automobile repair and sales business for twelve years. He has been a citizen of Sikeston for over twenty-two years, and is the pioneer automobile man of this county, having had the agency for the Ford car a number of years ago, when only a few automobiles of any kind had been introduced into this country.

This establishment is the home of the famous Haynes automobile, the pioneer car of America. The story of America's first car has been told in every tongue, it has been printed in every language and it has been sent through the air by radio. Tradition has a tremendous part in fashioning the ideals for Haynes manufacture. The Haynes is America's first car, and pride of that fact has resulted in every employee of the great factories making a silent resolves that the Haynes shall be first in quality, first in service, and first in lasting satisfaction. The new 1924 Haynes 60 Sport and Standard models are the crystallization of this resolution, a dollar-for-dollar value having the enthusiastic approval of the great body of shrewd motorists.

Besides this famous car, this establishment features the well known Federal tires and Century batteries, maintaining service departments for all makes of tires and batteries, and

doing a general auto repair business, maintaining a complete gas and oil station, with auto accessories and a prompt and efficient road service. A number of good mechanics are employed and all work is fully guaranteed, in all departments.

AMERICAN CEDAR TRADE ABANDONED BY GERMANY

Nuremberg, Germany, June 5.—East Africa has replaced the United States as the source of supply of cedar for the Nuremberg pencil industry. This German industry, which centers here, has fully recovered from the after effects of the war, and in trade circles it is reported that the manufacturers have enough foreign orders on hand to keep the plants in full operation many months.

Both the cedar and the graphite for pencils are imported the main graphite supply being found in Siberia. Previous to 1914 the cedar was imported principally from America and the West Indies, but the war upset the old channel of trade and new fields in East Africa have been developed.

More than 20,000 houses have been built in Yokohama, Japan, since the earthquake.

The Rothschilds family of Vienna, international bankers, were taxed \$72,000 for the forty-seven servants kept.

To wash the 11,000 panes of glass in the Equitable building in New York City, 10 men are kept constantly employed.

A gold coin from the United States labelled "Christian Idol From America" is part of a collection of idols from many lands possessed by a man in India.

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NEW PARAMOUNT, "CODE OF THE SEA", COMING

Thousands of women unconsciously love cowards, according to Jacqueline Logan, popular Paramount player. "These" she adds, "are largely moral cowards—the kind of men, who could right many wrongs but are restrained because they fear what the world will think of them. Shifting blame to someone else and assuming innocence is so much easier.

It is the second type of coward—the physical—which is portrayed in "Code of the Sea", a Victor Fleming Paramount production, in which Miss Logan is featured with Rod La Rocque.

This is the story of a young man with a yellow streak, a coward just as his father was before him.

There comes a night, when a violent storm at sea, with strong gusts of wind and driving rains arises. The yacht Neroid, with Jenny (Miss Logan) as a passenger, is trying to stagger to port against the fury of the edemoneic elements. At the same time the passenger ship Northern, captained by Jenny's father (George Fawcett), has lost its propeller.

By wireless, McDow (La Rocque), commander of a lightship, learns of the plight of both. The Northern commands him to stay at his post so that it can bring its human cargo to shore, and simultaneously the Neroid flashes that it is sinking.

Duty requires McDow, the coward, to stay at his post. The code of the sea is that no lightship can leave its moorings until relieved. Jenny on the Neroid faces death. On the yacht only a handful are endangered, while on the Northern there are hundreds depend upon his decision.

And it is this decision which supplies the smashing, spectacular climax of "Code of the Sea", which will be shown Friday at the Malone Theatre.

The story was written for Paramount production by Byron Morgan and is considered one of the most powerful ever transferred to film.

MUSIC HAS GREAT CHARM IN NEW FILM THEME

The power of music in the world had never been utilized for a motion picture basis until Victor Hugo Halperin wrote and directed "When a Girl Loves" for Associated Exhibitors release. The production is not merely dedicated to the cause of music. Its whole implication is bound up with Drla's famous Souvenir.

An impressive example of this occurs in the scene where Michael Roden, a Russian nobleman thrown into prison after the Revolution, sings his way to freedom. The beauty of his voice moves even the hard-hearted official who guards him. He could kill a man without flinching, but he could not kill the pure glory of that voice. So Michael goes free.

The role as interpreted by Percy Marmont achieves a wonderful appeal to the sympathies of an audience. Playing "opposite" Marmont is Agnes Ayres, the beautiful and talented Paramount star, "loaned" to Halperin for this production. This unusual picture is the main screen attraction at the Malone Theatre on Wednesday.

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ALIBI BEING FRAMED FOR OIL LEASE GRAFT

Washington, D. C., June 6.—The first step in what is characterized as an attempted alibi for the oil scandal was taken today by old guard members of the public lands committee.

They filed with the Senate a "statement" complaining that they did not have "adequate opportunity" to examine the majority views presented yesterday by Senator Walsh of Montana. The effect of it was to withhold their approval from and to cast reflection upon the majority views.

Senator Spencer (Republican), Missouri, was the author of the dissenting statement. He did not become a member of the committee until the hearings were nearly over and he has steadily sought to build up a case to defend the leasing of the oil reserves. Senators Smoot, Stanfield, Cameron and Bursum joined him in signing his statement.

Spencer's action was expected. His assignment to the committee by the old guard was recognized as being for the same purpose that Spencer served in the famous Newberry case when he became the main defender of the Newberry election methods.

But there was some surprise that Cameron and Bursum would consent to withhold approval from the Walsh report since it was merely a recitation of the undisputed facts, free of characterization or even of recommendations. It was chiefly a review of the evidence.

Challenged by Walsh on the floor of the Senate to show where in the majority report contained "many mistakes" as the Spencer document maintained, Spencer was unable to give a single instance. He reported that he would enter a detailed report later on.

Walsh with sharp sarcasm commented on the old guard contentions that they had not had an "adequate opportunity" to study the Walsh report.

Walsh pointed out that the committee spent two entire days in going over his report word by word, correcting and perfecting it, but Spencer, Smoot, Stanfield, Bursum and Cameron failed to attend.

They came in at intervals but made excuses that other matters called them away. The majority members of the committee regard this as part of a pre-determined plan to reflect unfavorably on the majority conclusions.

Spencer's statement said: "The undersigned members of the committee on Public Lands and Surveys submit to the Senate the following statement with regard to the report on the lease upon Naval Oil reserves as presented by the committee.

"No adequate opportunity has been given them to examine the report which has been submitted. The final hearings are not yet returned from the printer.

"A casual reading of the report indicated many mistakes and conclusions and inferences of fact and law which, in the judgment of the undersigned are unwarranted by the testimony.

"On May 14, when the hearings were discontinued for this session, request was made of record that an opportunity of at least a few days be afforded in order to examine the report which the senior senator from Montana, Mr. Walsh, indicated he intended to prepare, and that such opportunity be given before the report was submitted to the committee for final action. No such opportunity was afforded.

"The report was printed and presented June 4 to the committee for immediate consideration and action. It was on that date first presented to the undersigned. It has been physically impossible to examine, in any fair or adequate manner, the statements of the report, which deals with such voluminous testimony and which attempts to pass judgment on disputed questions of law and upon controverted facts.

"The report indicated that the hearings before the committee are not yet concluded, and are to be resumed in case the authority of the committee as the representative of the Senate be vindicated in its attempt further to interrogate H. F. Sinclair.

"The undersigned will prepare and submit to the Senate such matters as may, in their judgment, have been overlooked by the report as presented, and such questions and changes as, in their judgment, should be brought to the attention of the Senate before any final action is taken."

Who said that colored shoes were going out? The vogue for a touch of red has brought red shoes into favor with many women who wear them today to set off a costume in which otherwise the red would pass unheeded.

Missouri Road Problem

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Everyone is interested in our state road program. They should be especially interested just now, as the program will be greatly retarded in 1925 if something is not done to remedy the condition at an early date.

The State Fund Commission has no authority to sell and road bonds in 1925. This would mean a serious delay in our construction program. The next Legislature will be confronted with a difficult problem to provide road construction and maintenance funds next year because of the present limited revenue.

The road boosters of the State, acting through the Missouri Automobile Club have started the circulation of an initiative petition so that the question of additional funds and a speeding up of the construction program may be acted upon by all voters at the regular election in November to relieve this embarrassing condition.

Highway Needs. Your State Highway Commission in a formal statement presented to the Legislature in February, 1923, set out clearly that the \$60,000,000 of State road bonds would not complete the hard-surfacing of the entire State Highway system of 7,640 miles laid out by the Legislature. Under date of March 20, 1924, your Commission further stated that public sentiment is demanding a much more rapid completion of the roads than is possible under the present law governing the expenditure of the \$60,000,000 of road bonds, and that some definite financing program should be provided at an early date to insure the completion of the 7,640 miles of State roads designated.

For an adequate financing plan the Commission has recommended a fifty per cent increase in motor license fees, which will make the owner of a Ford car pay \$3.50 more, bringing the average license fee in Missouri to \$12.75, for all cars, a gasoline tax of two cents per gallon, for motor vehicle fuel, excluding fuel for tractors, etc., and the privilege of selling bonds at a rate of not to exceed \$15,000,000 annually. This additional

revenue, together with the motor license fees that are now collected, will provide an income for state road purposes of between \$9,000,000 and \$10,000,000 annually. This will enable the Department to speed up the \$60,000,000 construction program to complete the entire road system in every county of the State at a date not far beyond the time originally provided for in the Centennial Road Law for completing the \$60,000,000 program.

Financing. The Centennial Road Law intended for the motor owner to finance the construction and maintenance of the \$60,000,000 program and it is evident that the motor license fees will finance the \$60,000,000 bond program without any property tax. It is equally evident that the additional income suggested by the Commission will complete the 764 miles of State roads without any additional bonds or property tax.

"Should the motor owners finance the construction and maintenance of the entire state road mileage?" and "Can they afford it?" are questions frequently raised.

Motor owners can well afford the expense necessary to construct and maintain the 7640 miles, or seven per cent system. Investigations have been made over a period of about 5 years by the Iowa State College and the Iowa State Highway Department, in co-operation with the U. S. Office of Public Roads, to determine the cost of operating motor vehicles over different types of highways. Runs have been made of thousands of miles over various types of road surfacing with many kinds of motor vehicles. From the data collected, we find that there is an average saving of two and one-half cents per mile in gasoline, tires and general upkeep of the cars in favor of the improved road over the ordinary dirt road. I am sure that most of you will agree that the bad condition of our roads during the past six months has cost you large sums of money and expensive delays and in many instances more than two and one-half cents per mile quoted above.

It is estimated that eighty-five per cent of the mileage traveled by the rural motor owner and at least 25

per cent of the mileage traveled by the owners of motor vehicles in Kansas City and St. Louis, would be upon the state system, if it were improved. Assuming that the motor owner travels about five thousand miles annually, we would have at least 2500 miles, or fifty per cent of the total road mileage traveled by the motor owners of the State on the State road system. The saving, therefore, to the motor owner, at the rate of two and one-half cents per mile in operating his car over a hard-surfaced road compared with operating over the average dirt road, would be at least \$62.50, because of the improvement of the state road system.

On this basis the 476,000 automobile owners registered in Missouri last year could save over \$30,000,000 annually; this figure is far in excess of the annual amount being spent for State road improvement, or the amount contemplated to be spent in any one year. It is evident to everyone who drives a car that there is a big saving when driving upon an improved road; a saving that is far in excess of the extra license fee and gasoline tax that is suggested.

The average motor license fee in the United States is approximately \$11.50. The recommended increase for Missouri license fees will put this State on about the same basis as the average of other States in the Union.

Thirty-eight States now have a gasoline tax for highway purposes, ranging from one to four cents per gallon. Missouri can well afford a gasoline tax as it will provide a means for her visitors to help construct and maintain her roads, and will distribute the expense in proportion to the use of the roads. The

heavy car and truck, and the individual who drives his car a large mileage each year will pay in proportion to the damage he causes to the road.

I am sure that you are all interested in our State roads and would like to see them completed at the earliest possible date. Your Highway Commission feels that the initiative petition and the vote at the November election is the surest and best plan for remedying our present conditions. We would like therefore to urge upon every voter that he or she sign the initiative petition that is now being circulated in your county and to vote for the measure in November. Don't wait for the petition to find you, but look for one that is being circulated and sign it. Good roads now will do more for Missouri and for you individually than any other one thing.

Benefits of Improved Roads. Better roads will mean better homes, better schools, better churches, more community life, more industry, more work, more money in circulation, more conveniences,—all of which will renew Missouri's activities, build for her a better reputation and increase her population and wealth. With this end in view, your Highway Commission feels that Missouri can well afford to speed up her road building program and build her state system of roads as rapidly as the work can be handled economically.

Just why a fiesta scene should be lightly embroidered across one side of a handkerchief is something different to figure out. But such a scene in lavender and green on a yellow silk handkerchief is part of the Spanish influence just now.

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